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# German Ultimatum To Yugoslavia

## 'Our Boys At Keren'

### Bhopal's Tribute To Indian Troops

KARACHI, March 31.

"Our boys were marvellous at Keren where they eclipsed even their own deeds at Sidi Barrani. India has every reason and every right to be proud of them. I was very fortunate to be present at Keren when our troops stormed it and that was my happiest day", declared the Nawab of Bhopal in an interview to the Associated Press on his return this evening from a tour of the Middle East where he visited all Indian troops and his own forces.

He concluded: "Our boys at the front have been simply magnificent. They fought like giants —God bless them and preserve them. They are in the highest spirits, and very fit and very well looked after. I felt so proud of the Indian troops and so was the General Officer Commanding, General Platt who was really pleased with them."—A.P.

## HEAVY COST OF WAR!

LONDON, March 31.

The "astronomical" cost of war to the British tax-payer is revealed in the revenue returns to-night showing that Britain spent a record amount of 3,867,245,640 sterling in the financial year which ended to-night. The total ordinary revenue from all sources was 1,408,867,697 sterling, leaving a deficit of 2,458,378,573 sterling.

The problem for the Chancellor in his forthcoming Budget will be whether he will try by imposing new taxation to narrow the enormous gap between expenditure and revenue which has otherwise to be bridged by borrowing.—Reuter.

## INDIAN TROOPS MAKE HISTORY

### C.-in-C. Congratulates Them On Achievements

NEW DELHI, March 31.

His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief has received from the Chief of the Imperial General Staff and from General Sir Archibald Wavell messages of warm appreciation of the part played by troops from India in the capture of Keren.

His Excellency has sent a message of congratulation to the troops.

An Indian army eye-witness has sent a graphic description of the twelve days' battle which ended in the fall of Keren on March 27.

He concludes: "The battle of Keren demanded of Indian troops, who had already earned high praise for their achievements at Sidi Barrani, Gallabat, Agordat and Barentu, even higher soldierly qualities, and has added a further and more glorious page to their record.—A.P.

## Tension In Syrian Towns

LONDON, March 31.

Tanks are patrolling the streets of Damascus, Aleppo, Homs and Hama—all big Syrian cities—daily, says the Jerusalem correspondent of the Free French News Agency.

The correspondent adds that tension is continuing in these cities and it is believed that about twelve persons have lost their lives in the demonstrations.

It is also reported that communications with Lebanon and other neighbouring territories are strictly watched.—Reuter.

# Demand For Demobilisation Of Army

## Berlin Recalls Minister From Belgrade

## Nazi Radio And Press Take To 'Sudeten' Tactics

## Hitler's Futile Hopes Of Seducing Croats: Rumania Cuts Off Oil Supplies

LONDON, March 31.

*ACCORDING TO AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT FROM BELGRADE, THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN AN ULTIMATUM TO THE YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT, EXPIRING AT MIDNIGHT TO-NIGHT DEMANDING THAT THE YUGOSLAV ARMY SHOULD BE DEMOBILISED.*

### Berlin Recalls Minister

*A Belgrade Message says:—*

*The German Legation has announced that the German Minister in Belgrade, Herr von Heeren, is leaving for Berlin.*

*Other messages from Balkans report that the Yugoslav Minister in Berlin has arrived in Belgrade.*

### ALLEGED ANTI-GERMAN INCIDENTS

All German broadcasts on Sunday night gave prominence to reports of alleged anti-German incidents in Yugoslavia.

It is pointed out in London that these reports closely follow the lines of the atrocity campaigns preceding the invasion of Czechoslovakia and Poland.

### 'Sudeten' Tactics

German propaganda machines are whipping up feeling against Jugoslavia. The German radio this morning was freely making allegations of "ill-treatment" of Germans in Jugoslavia and talked of Germans "fleeing from Jugoslavia", who had arrived in Temesvar and told of "their horrible experiences."

It is only too obvious that the Nazis are preparing for an attempt to provoke trouble between the Serbs and Croats and would like to have an excuse of regarding Croatia as the "Sudetenland" of Jugoslavia.

### HITLER'S HOPES.

There is, however, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns, little prospect of Germans meeting with any success in this direction. Dr. Matchek and his party are staunch supporters of democracy and despite party differences in the past, are loyally co-operating with the new Jugoslav Government. Hitler's hopes of seducing the Croat Peasant Party are likely to be grievously disappointed.

VICHY: The Governor of Croatia, who is conducting negotiations for the co-operation of the Croat Party with the new Jugoslav Government returned to Belgrade from Zagreb to-day, says a Belgrade message to the Vichy news agency.

### RUMANIAN VIEW.

A Bucharest telegram reaching Vichy says that the Rumanian Press is still commenting extensively on the Jugoslav situation So far the newspaper "Universal" is the only one to pay tribute to King Peter and calls on him to take control of the destinies of

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## Yugoslavs To Remain Calm!

### Govt. Asks People Not To Heed Alarmist Rumours

BELGRADE, March 31.

"The departure from Yugoslavia of a number of German citizens is probably the result of some regrettable incidents due to irresponsible persons on the occasion of the patriotic demonstrations of 27th and 28th of March. A semi-official statement announcing this has been issued here to-day which adds: "These incidents were deeply deplored and condemned both by the Government and public opinion generally. With regard to them, Government calls on the population to remain calm in all circumstances and pay no attention to alarmist rumours. It is doing all in its power to dispel any suspicion regarding its desire to maintain good relations with neighbours."—Reuter.

## French Ships In U. S. Ports

### Police Complete List Including Giant Liner "Normandie"

NEW YORK, March 31.

Local police completed the list of all French ships in the harbour here numbering eight, including the giant trans-Atlantic liner "Normandie".

There is no indication whether this action is connected with the seizure of Axis ships.—Reuter.

### Roosevelt Personally Ordered It

WASHINGTON, March 31.

President Roosevelt has indicated that he personally ordered the seizure of Italian, German and Danish ships at American ports during the week end.

This was revealed at a Press Conference on the train taking him back to Washington, but he declined to comment.

The seized ships totalled 296,715 tons, announced the Coast Guard Service here.

### LEGALITY CANNOT BE QUESTIONED, SAYS HULL.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, defended Government's ac-

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## British Govt. Does Not Favour Pakistan

### Sir Lancelot Graham Criticises League Scheme

KARACHI, March 31.

The impression in political circles that the Pakistan scheme is favoured by the British Government was characterised as incorrect by His Excellency Sir Lancelot Graham, retiring Governor of Sind, in a special interview to the "Karachi Daily" prior to his leaving Karachi.

Proceeding His Excellency asserted that he was against the Pakistan scheme and wondered that people like Sir Abdulla Haroon whose ances ors were Hindus should think of Pakistan. He was for Hindu-Muslim unity, and during his tenure of office, he tried his best to bring the two communities together.

Referring to the Hindus in Sind, Sir Lancelot said that they were divided among themselves in two groups, Congress and Hindu Parties. They should, he said, have a united Hindu Party. His Excellency did not favour the members of the Congress Assembly Party offering Satyagraha, inasmuch as they were playing an important part in the stability of the Sind Ministry.—United Press.

Officers of an Indian Brigade somewhere in Eritrea discuss plans before starting operations.

## Br. Forces Capture Diredawa

### Third Largest City In Abyssinia Falls

NAIROBI, March 31.

**It is officially announced that Diredawa, the third city in Abyssinia, was captured by British forces on Saturday afternoon.**

**A London message says that Diredawa has been occupied by South African troops.**

### BR. TROOPS OCCUPY CARSA

NAIROBI, March 31

British troops have occupied Carsa, twenty miles beyond Harar, on the way to Diredawa—the evacuation of which by the Italians was announced shortly after the British capture of Harar

A Communique issued at Nairobi today announced that Carsa was occupied on Friday. The mountain road between Carsa and Diredawa has been extensively destroyed by the Italians but British engineers are speedily and successfully overcoming obstacles and the advance is proceeding according to plan.

In last three days over 700 prisoners have been taken of which 449 were Europeans, ten heavy guns, 3 fieldguns, 15 machineguns, 3 tractors, 16 lorries and considerable other war material.—Reuter.

### WILL ASMARA BE NEXT?

The advance towards Asmara in Eritrea is continuing, states an Official Communique issued here. It adds that the occupation of Diredawa in Abyssinia was carried out by the South African troops who are now advancing westwards. A forward movement is developing in other sections. The number of prisoners is steadily mounting while guns and war materials abandoned by the retreating enemy are being collected in large quantities.—Reuter.

### GERMAN FORCES AT EL AGHEILA

*Base From Which To Conduct Attack In Libya*

LONDON, March 26.

The Military Correspondent of "The Times", commenting on the announcement that hostile forces have occupied El Agheila, in the Gulf of Sidra, writes:

The episode is of little importance in itself and furnishes no cause for anxiety. It does, however, suggest that these German troops are likely to be found more enterprising just as they are certain to be provided with better material than the Italians with whom our army in Libya has hitherto had to deal.

The detachment which had reached El Agheila may represent the advance guard of a fairly considerable force. Our own Royal Armoured Corps will not be found averse to a trial of strength if that should come.

### NAZI TROOP MOVEMENTS IN BULGARIA

LONDON, March 31.

**Reports from Sofia indicate movements of German heavy artillery from the south to north via Kinajevo road through the suburbs of Sofia and the recent arrival of a Nazi armoured division.**

**German police are carrying out passport control on the Bulgar-Turkish frontier.—Reuter.**

### FRENCH AFRICA TO RESIST AGGRESSION

#### General Weygand's Assertion

LONDON, March 25

The Algiers correspondent of the "Daily Express" cabled on March 21:

General Weygand has said that French North Africa will resist with the French Fleet and all forces at her command an attack from any quarter. He added: "The armed forces of France, like the French people, are united under Marshal Petain, and they stand completely ready to resist any encroachment upon Africa?

## New Delhi Not Optimistic

### MEMORANDUM TO VICEROY

#### Mahatma-Linlithgow Interview Definitely Postponed

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, March 31.

No great optimism is noticeable in New Delhi regarding results of Sir T. B. Sapru's efforts. Though Sapru was able to meet the new Commander-in-Chief and have long discussion with him on Defence questions. No Sapru-Linlithgow meeting could be arranged—due evidently to feeling that it could be better to postpone interview until after the Viceroy has had time to peruse Sapru's memorandum and communicate with the Secretary of State. It is understood that the memorandum seeks to make two points very clear—Firstly, effect can be given to the Bombay resolution without in any way disturbing present constitutional structure or responsibility of the Viceroy as Crown's representative. Secondly that it ntended to accelerate the war effort by equipping the Government of India with necessary popular momentum.

On the other hand talks here recall what Amery said in November last in the Commons. "It was,

### *Memorandum To Viceroy*

*NEW DELHI, March 31.*

*The memorandum which has been drawn up by the Standing Committee of the Bombay Leaders' Conference was forwarded to H. E. the Viceroy to-day.*

*The Associated Press understands that the text of the memorandum is also being cabled to the Secretary of State for India.—A. P.*

of course, possible for him (Viceroy) to fill up and enlarge the Executive somehow with individuals of high character and ability but that would not have carried out our wish desire to associate political leaders in India more directly with Government of India during the war. It would have closed the door for a considerable time to come and the Viceroy's desire is to leave the door open". Mr. Amery also added "after all Viceroy's object can be attained as soon as sufficient representative elements show their readiness to come in". The position taken up by leaders of the Bombay Conference is that if and when main political parties agree to come in they would readily vacate their seats in Executive Council but the question is whether the Secretary of State would consider the Bombay Conference as "sufficient and representative elements".

For purpose of fulfilling a declared object enlargement executive. The official claim is that August offer fulfils in important respects demands made in Bombay resolution. It pleaded that Amery has already promised that "They would come into the Council in such numbers as to constitute a substantial majority over European members". And that they would be "working unitedly together". These points are expected to be discussed when Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru comes to meet Viceroy later for detailed talk. In connection with the correspondence which has been going on between Sir T. B. Sapru and Gandhiji and Jinnah, it appears, that Sapru has not been able to secure Gandhi-Jinnah meeting as Jinnah still insists that he can only meet Gandhi cannot possibly countenance as he has repeatedly made clear.

**Much speculation has been aroused by the mysterious and unobtrusive departure from Shanghai of the large German freighter "Ramses" (7,983 tons) which had been tied up in the harbour since the outbreak of the war.**

**It is believed that she is heading towards Japan, where she might be converted into a raider. —Reuter.**

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**Wanted a Civil Engineer Prepared** to join immediately. Preference to Non-Brahmins. Age 30—40. Apply stating Qualifications, terms etc., to Box No. 14364. "Bombay Chronicle."

## 327. AGENTS WANTED

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THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
H.M.I. Signal School,
Bombay.

(4445)

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Mr. S. A. RASHID of the National Financing Corporation has left the above firm. Car No. K. 5008 (D.K.W.) belongs to the said National Financing Corporation situate at 330 Habib Mansion Corner of Charni Road, Bombay No. 4.

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CHITRE & CO.,
Attorneys for the National Financing Corporation.
4689.

### CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE.

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bombay Central Public Works Division, Central Government Offices Building, Queen's Road, Bombay, will receive tenders upto 12 noon, 8th April, 1941, from approved First Class contractors for the work "Construction of quarters for 8 Wireless Operators and one Wireless Supervisor at Direction Finding Station, Bahmanouri (Bombay)" (Building Portion). Total cost approximate Rs. 62,172

Tender forms, plans and conditions of contract will be obtainable from his office on any working day between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at Rs. 5-4-0 per copy, which amount will not be refunded.

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## Public Notices

### NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for Constructing a metalled road at Juhu by 8th April, 1941.

For full particulars apply to the undersigned.

J. W. GOMES,
President,
Juhu Municipality.

Municipal Office,
Juhu, dated, 31st March, 1941.
(4691)

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(4590)

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Particulars may be obtained from the Chief Traffic Manager, Bombay, or stations.

(4693)

### NOTICE.

RATE-PAYERS ARE WARNED that the Municipality does not hold itself responsible for non-receipt of publications, notices, complaints against rateable values, &c., required to be made within the period prescribed under the provisions of Chapter VIII of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, unless they are in a position to produce proper acknowledgments received from the Department concerned, showing the subject matter of the applications, notices, complaints, &c.

Applications, notices, complaints against rateable values, &c. sent by post will be dealt with, but rate-payers are warned that they will be sending such applications, notices, complaints, &c., by post at their own risk.

M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner
for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 1st April, 1941.
(4680)

### NOTICE.

RATE-PAYERS ARE WARNED against paying bills for Municipal Rates and Taxes and the Urban Immovable Property Tax without receiving back the bills duly receipted at the time of payment. The only legal receipt is the receipted bill itself impressed with the Coat of Arms of the Municipal Corporation. Receipts written on ordinary slips of paper are invalid and cannot be recognised.

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M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner,
for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 1st April, 1941.
(4681)

### AHMEDABAD MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the supply of the articles stated below to the Ahmedabad Municipality during the year, 1941-1942 ending 31st March, 1942, so as to reach the undersigned on or before Thursday the 10th April, 1941 at 4 P.M. The tenders should be accompanied with earnest money as under without which no tender will be considered.

The copy of the specification, and tender form can be had from the Store-keeper on application on payment as shown below. The tenderers are at liberty to remain present at the time the tenders are opened.

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(Sd.) S. P. SHAH,
Ag.-Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.

Store Office,
Dated 27-3-1941. (4687)

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The candidate bearing above qualifications need apply for the post. One having experience of town planning, drainage and Mechanical Engineering in addition will be preferred.

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Apply with copies of testimonials on or before the 15th April, 1941 to:—

THE CHAIRMAN,
Municipal Committee, Beawar
(4696)

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The Two years' Agricultural Training Course of the Institute of Agriculture, Anand, for Farmers' sons, will open on 15th June, 1941.

Applications are invited from Graduates in Agriculture, who have had some practical experience in Government or Private Farms and who can teach Agriculture and the Allied Sciences in the Gujarati Language, for the post of a HEADMASTER on Rs. 150-10-200 and an ASSISTANT on Rs. 100-5-150. A working knowledge of Hindustani is desirable. Applications should be sent, along with copies of testimonials, so as to reach the Secretary, before 22nd April, 1941. Those who are in Government Service should apply through their superior officers.

Candidates should be prepared to come for an interview at their own cost and to join duty on 15th May, 1941.

(Sd.) M. R. RAMASWAMI SIVAN,
Secretary,
Institute of Agriculture, Anand.
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## Legal Notices

### NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BAI RUTTONBAI, widow of Pallonji Cowasji Kavarana, NADIRSHAW PALLONJI KAVARANA, JEHANGIR PALLONJI KAVARANA and COWASJI PALLONJI KAVARANA, all of Bombay Parsi Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL Persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsover are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 24-26, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

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DIVECHA & THAKORE,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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## Public Notices

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THE SUPPLEMENT to the January, 1941, Issue is now available and will be delivered to subscribers at the Company's Office at Amar Building, Sir Phirozshah Mehta Road, Fort, on application BOMBAY TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED.

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### BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

OFFERS for the purchase of four Old Steam Rollers (each weighing between 10 and 15 tons) lying at the Municipal Workshops, Foras Road, will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of April, 1941.

Offers should be sent in sealed envelopes superscribed "Offer for four old steam rollers", addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Municipal Chief Accountant with a deposit of Rs. 200.

If an offerer revokes his offer prior to the decision of the sanctioning authority accepting his offer is communicated to him or if he fails to pay the full purchase price within 10 days from the date such acceptance is communicated to him, the deposit made by him shall be absolutely forfeited to the Corporation.

The rollers can be inspected on site by previous appointment with the Mechanical Engineer, Municipal Workshops, Foras Road, who will give any further information that may be required

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Dated, 29-3-1941.
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### NOTICE

HIGH COURT, BOMBAY.

Re: SHILOTRI BANK, LTD.
(In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a 2ND and FINAL DIVIDEND at the rate of Re. 0-1-1 in a rupee has been declared in the abovementioned Company and dividend warrants for amounts of Rs. 5/- and above have been posted to the respective proved creditors of the Co. Those proved creditors the amount of whose dividend calculated as above comes to less than Rs. 5/- are requested to apply personally or through their agents to the undersigned for the dividend warrants.

B. K. DESAI,
Official Liquidator.

Maneckjee Wadia Bldg.,
125, Esplanade Road,
Fort, Bombay.
4682.

## Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

In The Matter of THE INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913
(and)
In The Matter Of The GREAT HOME LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE GREAT HOME LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. ..... Petitioners.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition was on the 28th day of March, 1941, presented to the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers by the abovenamed petitioners for sanctioning the scheme of Reconstruction of The Great Home Life Assurance Company, Limited, submitted to and approved at the Meetings of the share-holders policy-holders and other creditors all held on the 24th day of March 1941 pursuant to the directions given by the Hon'ble Court, And that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers or such other judge as may be appointed to hear the Companies matters, on the 15th. day of April, 1941 and any person interested in the said Company whether as a shareholder or as a policy-holder or as a creditor desirous to oppose the making of an order sanctioning the said scheme of reconstruction should appear at the time of hearing either in person or by attorney or counsel for the purpose. Copy of the petition will be furnished to such person requiring the same by Company's Solicitors Messrs. Amritlal & Co., 17-19 Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, on payment of regulated charges for the same.

AMRITLAL & CO.,
Solicitors For the Company.
4694.

## Public Notices

### G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, invites tenders for reconditioning of scrap white metal No. 6 available at the Mechanical Stores Depot, Parel. Tender form obtainable from the Controller of Stores' Office at Rs. 2/- per copy which amount will not be refunded. Payment by cheques, postal orders or postage stamps will not be accepted. Samples of the scrap to be reconditioned not exceeding 5 lbs. each, can be purchased for test purposes from the District Controller of Stores, Mechanical Stores Depot, Parel, at the rate of Rs. 20/- per cwt. Closing date 22-4-1941 at 3 P.M. (S.T.)

4685.

## Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 885 of 1940

THE EAST & WEST INSURANCE CO., LD., ... Plaintiffs.

vs

JANARDHAN KESHAV HALDANKAR and Others.
..... Defendants.

TAKE NOTICE that the High Court will be moved before the Honourable Mr. Justice Somjee on TUESDAY, the 8th day of April, 1941, at 11 O'Clock (S.T.) on behalf of the Plaintiffs for the following Orders:—

(a) For a Decree Absolute for Sale of your property at Lady Jamshedji Road, Dadar.
(b) That Plaintiffs be given liberty to bid at such auction sale and set off the purchase price against their Mortgage amount.
(c) For the Plaintiffs' costs of this application, Decree Absolute for Sale and of carrying out the same.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1941.

MINOCHEHER MANCHERSHAH HIRALAL & Co.,
Attorneys for the Plaintiffs.

To,
JANARDHAN KESHAV HALDANKAR, Esqr.,
1st Defendant abovenamed.

(4695)


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TO-MORROW
**'UNDER TWO FLAGS'**
RONALD COLMAN.


## SIKANDAR PLUMP FOR HINDU-MUSLIM UNITY

LAHORE, March 30.

A call to the youth to come forward and work for Hindu-Muslim unity without which they could never achieve freedom, was made by Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan, the Punjab Premier, presiding over a meeting in connection with the Unity Day organised by the Young Jat Association, held this evening.

For the last thirty years, Sir Sikandar said, it had been his earnest desire to bring about unity among the different communities. He hoped that he would succeed in his mission and the Punjab would give a lead to other provinces.

The Premier referred to the steps taken by his Government to bring about unity and said that immediately after assumption of office they devised a formula for the purpose of giving a just and due share in the services to all communities. According to this formula a fifty per cent share in the services was to be given to Muslims, 30 per cent to Hindus and 20 per cent to Sikhs.

The Premier explained that while the population of the Sikhs was only 14 per cent their share in the services had been fixed at 20 per cent. The Government had also enacted agrarian laws, which benefited all communities alike.

Concluding the Premier advised youngmen to organise themselves to bring about unity among the different communities in the Province. He promised to give them all facilities. He was sure that even if ten such men came forward and worked for unity honestly they would succeed in their mission.

Sir Chhoturam also addressed the meeting.—A. P.

## CO-OPERATIVES IN BIHAR

### Govt. Approve Of Scheme Involving Rs. 49 Lakhs

PATNA: (By Mail).

A scheme costing about Rs. 49 lakhs it is understood, has been approved by the Bihar Government for the rehabilitation of the Co-operative Movement in the Province. The scheme is mainly based on the recommendations of the Co-operative Rehabilitation Committee. The estimated cost of Rs. 49 lakhs will be spread over a period of five years, the allotment for 1941/42 being Rs. 17.7 lakhs.

Government will bear the losses of the Provincial Co-operative Bank in giving effect to the rehabilitation scheme and will give such other financial assistance and support as may be necessary. Government, it is understood, have already provided Rs. 10 lakhs, which is the net loss of the Provincial Bank. To assume necessary control Government also intend appointing a banking adviser who will work as the Managing Director and will be primarily responsible for advising Government on the banking side of the business.

Reconstructed Central Co-operative Banks may also accept deposits, but only with the previous permission of Government and the Provincial Co-operative Bank and subject to rates, limits and terms as may be prescribed by Government from time to time.—A.P.

### ACCIDENTAL DEATH

BOMBAY, Monday

Somaji Narayan (60) was fatally knocked down by a tram car at Lal Baugh on Sunday. At an inquest on his body held to-day, the Bombay Coroner recorded a verdict of accidental death.

### DEATH DUE TO SHOCK

BOMBAY, Monday

That death was caused due to pleural shock while pneumothorax treatment was being given to him in the G.I.P. Railway Hospital, was the verdict recorded by the Bombay Coroner, to-day, at an inquest held on the body of one Jacob Dias, a coolie in the Store Department of the railway, who was under treatment for T. B. in the G.I.P. Railway Hospital and who died there soon after an injection was given to him on Saturday.


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# On The Air

## TUESDAY, APRIL 1.

### Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Paritosh and Bhattacharya: Tune on Piano and Violin. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Sardar Bai Karadgekar. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 Master Nisar. 9-15 Lalit on Sitar. 9-25 Malti Karve. 9-30 G. D. Agni. 9-50 Bombay Radio Orchestra. 12-30 p.m. Songs from Sindh. 12-45 Marathi Music. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Gujarati Songs. 1-10 Ghazals. 1-20 Mutual Understanding. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch Hour Music. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 Master Nisar. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 G. D Agni. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Instrumental duets. 6-20 Bhakt Kabir's Bhajan. 6-30 Bal-Gopal: Gujarati Children's Half-hour. 7 Diary of the War: Monthly review of war in Marathi. 7-15 Malti Karve. 7-25 Local news and announcements. 7-30 Variety. 7-45 Shankerrao Biniwale: Violin recital. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Topic of the day. 8-30 What I read: Talk by Prof. Correia Afonso. 8-45 Sound-News (Hindustani) 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 10 Chamber music.

### Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Film songs. 8-15 Flute recital. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Sardar Bai Karadgekar. 8-55 Nathu Khan: Tabla solo. 9 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-57 B. N. Thakar. 1 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 Musical interlude. 1-35 to 2-25 As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

8 to 5-25 As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Malti Karve. 5-25 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Jyotsna Gopalkshakar. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 7-55 As in Bombay 1. 7-55 Sardar Bai Karadgekar. 8-25 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Master Nisar. 9-15 Des on Jaltarang. 9-20 Listeners' Letters. 9-35 G. D. Agni. 9-45 Bombay Radio Orchestra. 10 Sardar Bai Karadgekar. 10-30 Ghazal and Bhajan.

### Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

6 p.m. Nai Rut Nae Phul. 5-10 R. R. Chowdhury. 5-30 Bibe Khan. 5-50 Preet ka Geet. 6-15 Ram Mahima. 6-30 Zohra Jan. 6-40 R. R. Chowdhury. 6-50 Jaltarang. 7 Vilayat Khan. 7-15 Gayak. 7-30 For Villagers only. 8-15 Technical Education and the War: Talk. 8-30 It has happened, or Eman on Sarangi. 8-35 R. R. Chowdhury. 8-40 Hamtarah Ghazlen. 9-45 Meera ke Bhajan. 10 M. Siddiq. 10-5 Sarod recital: Malkaus. 10-15 Zohra Jan. 10-25 Bibe Khan.

### Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time)

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. For Children. 5-50 Jugol Chatterjee. 6-5 Kshitish Das Gupta. 6-20 Guessing the Artist. 7-20 Romesh Banerjee. 7-40 Abbasuddin Ahmed. 7-45 Industrial India, 1: Hides and Skins: Talk in Bengali. 8 Mohini Mohan Misra. 8-20 Duet song. 8-30 Instrumental duet. 9 Bhowani Das. 10 Ila Ghose. 10-15 Chitraranjan Roy.

### RAILWAY TIME TABLE

**G. I. P. Railway.**

| | Arr. H.M. | Dep H.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Madras Mail | 6 00 | 22 05 |
| Peshawar Express | 6-15 | 22-45 |
| Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur) | 8-55 | 18-10 |
| Calcutta Mail (via Chheoki) | 9-30 | 20-15 |
| Madras Express | 10 15 | 14 30 |
| Poona Mail | 10 30 | 17 30 |
| Punjab Mail | 12 30 | 17 40 |
| Nagpur Express | 15-00 | 21 00 |
| Poona Express | 19 30 | 08 05 |
| Allahabad Express | 20 25 | 07 00 |
| Poona Fast Passenger | 21 45 | 12 10 |

**B. B. & C. I. Railway.**
**(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)**

(On and from 1/4/1941)

| | Arr. H.M. | Dep H.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Ahmedabad Passenger | 5 35 | 13 05 |
| Delhi Express | 6 00 | 22 15 |
| Kathiawar Mail | 6-50 | 21-30 |
| Gujarat Mail | 7-25 | 22-00 |
| Frontier Mail | 8 15 | 21 15 |
| | | (Mon) (Sat) |
| The Flying Ranee, Bulsar | *9 15 | 15 38 |
| The Flying Ranee, Surat | *9-48 | 15-10 |
| The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday) | 10 58 | 00 09 |
| The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday) | 00 00 | 18 05 |
| Ahmedabad Passenger | 14-15 | 22-30 |
| Kathiawar Express | 19 05 | 8 45 |
| Baroda Passenger | 20 48 | 9 00 |

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

## "PUNJAB MARKETING ACT IMPRACTICABLE"

### Traders Urged To Stop Business In Agricultural Commodities

LYALLPUR, March 30.

The Punjab Traders Conference adjourned late at night after passing a series of resolutions recording its unanimous opinion that the Punjab agricultural produce marketing act and the rules framed thereunder were impracticable, unworkable and humiliating for the trade.

The Conference advised the traders throughout the province to stop their business in agricultural commodities in markets where the act came into force. The traders, brokers and others were further urged not to apply for licenses until the act and the rules framed thereunder were amended to their satisfaction. All new forward contracts in various exchanges of the Punjab are also to be stopped forthwith.

The conference adopted resolutions protesting against the Trade Employees Act and the General Sales Tax Act.—A. P.

KARACHI, March 30

Sir Hugh Dow, Governor-designate of Sind, arrived here from New Delhi this morning. He will assume his new office tomorrow morning.

Sir Lancelot Graham, the outgoing Governor, left for Quetta today.—United Press.

# Further Rise In New York Cotton Prices

## TRADE, WALL-STREET AND BOMBAY BUYING

### Market Getting Ready For 12 Cent. Loan Level

Bombay: March 31.

On Saturday New York cotton prices advanced further by 25 pts on hedge lifting by spot houses partly against sales of 80,000 bales to the Government. The market opened firm. Prices soared to new high levels on hopes of 12 cent loan on the next American cotton crop. There was accumulation of overnight buying orders including trade, Wall-Street and Bombay demand.

Thereafter the market reacted partially on local and professional selling. Then prices again rallied sharply on covering. However, despite the upsurge Southern offerings were very light.

12 CENT LOAN

The chairman of the House Agricultural Committee predicts that the committee will amend the administration's marketing quota Bill to provide 75 per cent parity loans for cotton, corn, wheat and tobacco for one year Commodity markets immediately advanced.

The House Agricultural Committee has approved the amended marketing quota bill which will be brought to the floor on Monday with a recommendation for speedy action.

Meanwhile the Senate Appropriation Committee has approved of the record farm bill of 1340 million dollars including 450 million for parity payments on which the Senate will vote on Monday whereafter the Bill will return to the House where agricultural funds are already approved total 890 million dollars.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton futures market opened at a rise of 17 points with May quoted 11.22. There was scattered selling and May declined to 11.17, which was the lowest level. Active buying appeared and May rose to 11.36, which was a new high level and prices reacted few points and finally closed at a net rise of 25 to 26 pts. Spot cotton prices advanced 26 pts at 11.61c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was strong on active buying and closed at a rise of 24 to 25 pts. Spot cotton prices were raised 28 pts at 11.40c per lb.

WEEKLY REVIEW

Cotton fluctuated indecisively despite the Committee's unanimous approval of the Bankhead Bill with a medley of Washington farm aid proposals although a favourable compromise is ultimately expected.

The Cotton Exchange Service estimates growers sales of 1941 loan cotton hitherto including repossessions and equities at 750,000 to 1,000,000 bales. Equities in South-East are sold at 6.50 to 7.50 dollars per bale, the season's higher level.

Cotton goods quieter after recent heavy buying. There are reports that the Defence authorities are investigating prices; meanwhile further irregularity is expected.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton market was entirely closed on Saturday. A meeting of the members will be held to-day to consider Directors' resolution.

CONTROLLER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Cotton Controller announces he is willing to take over at contract price plus reasonable expenses, contracts made before January 14 for import of Indian, Kenya, Nyassaland, Tanganyika and Uganda cottons not yet granted import licences, provided the contracts do not contain clauses allowing cancellation through unavailability of freight or import licences. The Controller advises merchants to cancel contracts or resell abroad if feasible. This special arrangement is necessary because import licences already issued will absorb all freight available from several markets. Owing to shipping difficulties it is very unlikely that the Controller will be able to take over contracts for other growths.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest 11.36+31 (11-12 a.m.); lowest 11.17+12 (10-3 a.m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York.—Cotton advanced on 12 cent loan approved by House Agricultural Committee. Think Senate may approve Bankhead bill next week, but impossible to foresee whether House will approve.

# Harijan Sevak Sangh

NEW DELHI, March 29.

The Executive Committee of the All-India Harijan Sevak Sangh, which met here on March 24, resolved to start a girls' residential home for sixty Harijan girls for the present at Harijan Ashram, Sabarmati, from June next and sanctioned Rs. 40,000 for buildings and Rs. 2,000 for recurring expenses for four months, June to September, 1941.

The Committee created separate portfolios for the following items of Harijan work:—Civic rights of Harijans, welfare of Municipal sweepers and scavengers, education of Harijan girls and boys.

The Committee sanctioned Rs. 10,500 for awarding Gandhi scholarships to Harijan boys reading in colleges, Rs. 300 for vocational scholarships to boys and Rs. 7,800. for professional and general educational scholarships to Harijan girls.

The Sangh has received a sum of Rs. 11,000 through Mahatma Gandhi for the construction of Harijan wells.

Prominent among those present were Mr. K. D. Birla, President, Shrimati Rameshwari Nehru, Mr. A. V. Thakkar, Mr. Narhari D. Parikh and Mr. V. V. Dastane.—A. P.

## BOMBS FOR POLICE OFFICIAL

RANCHI: March 30.

Several arrests are understood to have been made in this district and outside in connection with what is becoming to be known as "The Ranchi Bomb Case". Several allegedly incriminating articles are stated to have been seized in connection with several terrorist events, including the derailment of a train. The Police are investigating. Some days ago a railway parcel said to be containing ghee, arrived here from Ramgarh town station, which bore the address "S.P."

At the same time the Superintendent of Police, Ranchi, received a letter giving clues of certain alleged terrorist activities. The Inspector of Explosives was informed and the parcel was opened by gun shots and found to have contained bombs.—A. P.

## To Improve Lot Of Chilean Workers

NEW DELHI, March 29

At the request of the Chilean Government, the Chief of the Social Security Section of the I.L.O. has proceeded to Santiago to give technical advice to the authorities regarding the introduction of important economic and social reforms in the Chilean social insurance system.

The proposed reforms provide for the extension of medical assistance to members of the families of workers in industry, commerce and agriculture covering about three million persons, and for significant improvements in old age and sickness pensions.—United Press.

## STERLING BILL RATES

Bombay, March 31

The European Exchange Brokers' Association, beg to advise you of the revised scale of rates for Sterling Bills, as fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association this day:—

| Bills. | 1 & 2 months. | 3 & 4 months. |
|---|---|---|
| D. D. | 1/6 3/32 | 1/6 1/8 |
| 7 Days/St. | 1/6 1/8 | 1/6 5/32 |
| 30 Days/St. | 1/6 1/8 | 1/6 5/32 |
| 60 Days/St. | 1/6 3/16 | 1/6 7/32 |
| 90 Days/St. | 1/6 7/32 | 1/6 1/4 |
| 4 Months/St. | 1/6 9/32 | 1/6 5/16 |

Banks Selling T. T. 1/5 15/16 to 6 months ahead.

Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 6 months ahead.

# INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay: March 31.

With sentiment remaining bullish, buying interest was predominant on the market today and there was a sharp improvement in prices. Tata Deferreds, which previously stood at 1950, opened at the same level, but steadily went up to 1985, while Tata Ordinaries likewise advanced from 391 to 396. Towards the close, however, they steadied down at 1980 and 395 respectively. Textiles were also lively with broadening enquiries and Bombay Dyeings showed a gain of Rs. 20 at 1100. Indian Irons were a bit higher at 32.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1950) 1950 85 80

Tata Ordinaries (391) 391 93/8 93 96 95.

Tata Ordinary 395, Tata Deferred 1980, Indian Iron 32, Bombay Dyeing 1100, Century 410, Central India 311/4, Kohinoor 415, Associated Cement 139/8, Bombay Burma 542/8, Scindia Steam 21/2, Tata Hydro 177/8, Reserve Bank 106/4, Imperial Bank F P 1555, Central Bank 43/12, Bank of India 141, 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/14.

## GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: March 31.

All foreign markets were closed on Saturday. London Gold was £8/8/0. Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/4 at New York. London spot Silver was 23 1/2d and forward quotation was 23 7/16d. New York spot silver was 34 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 1/8. London Bombay spot silver parity was Rs. 62/10/3 and forward parity was Rs. 62/8/0. The local market was quietly steady with a limited business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range.

Quotations were as under: Gold Silver

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ready | Rs. 43 11 9 | 63 3 | 0 |
| Chaitra | Rs. 43 12 6 | 63 4 | 0 |
| Vaishakh | Rs. 43 13 6 | 63 6 | 0 |

Sovereigns: Rs. 29/8.

## BOMBAY EXCHANGE BANKS

Bombay, March 31

The following rates have been agreed to by the Bombay Exchange Banks' Association effective from 31st March, 1941:—

OFFICIAL BUYING RATES FOR U. S. DOLLARS.

For any amount, delivery Ready, One, Two, Three or Four months date forward.

| | |
|---|---|
| T. T. | 329 3/4 |
| Sight drawn under L/C | 328 1/2 |
| 30 Days/St drawn under L/C | 328 |
| 60 Days/St drawn under L/C | 327 1/2 |
| 90 Days/St drawn under L/C | 327 |
| 120 Days/St drawn under L/C | 326 1/2 |
| Sight Not under L/C | 328 1/2 |
| 30 Days/St Not under L/C | 327 1/2 |
| 60 Day/s St Not under L/C | 326 1/2 |
| 90 Days/St Not under L/C | 325 1/2 |
| 120 Days/St Not under L/C | 324 1/2 |

OFFICIAL SELLING RATES FOR U. S. DOLLARS.

| | |
|---|---|
| B. C. T. T. &/Or D. D. for any amount. Ready delivery (Within 3 Days) | 333 1/4 |
| For delivery within One month | 334 |
| Thereafter Rs. 0/12/0 higher every month upto Four months date forward. | |
| T. T. &/Or D. D. for any amount in excess of U. S. dol. 2,000.00. Ready delivery (Within 3 Days) | 332 3/4 |
| For delivery 1 month date forward | 333 3/8 |
| For delivery 2 months date forward | 334 |
| For delivery 3 months date forward | 334 6/8 |
| For delivery 4 months date forward | 335 1/4 |
| T. T. &/Or D. D. for any amount U. S. dol. 2,000.00 or under:— Same as B. C. T. T. D. D. above. | |

The above rates are effective until further notice.

## Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay: March 31.

| | Rs. as. ps. |
|---|---|
| Groundnuts May— | |
| Opening | 34 0 0 |
| Highest | 34 12 0 |
| Lowest | 33 14 0 |
| Closing | 34 0 0 |
| Castorseeds May | |
| Opening | 32 4 0 |
| Highest | 32 7 0 |
| Lowest | 32 1 6 |
| Closing | 32 1 6 |
| Cottonseeds May— | |
| Opening | 21 2 6 |
| Highest | 21 4 0 |
| Lowest | 21 0 3 |
| Closing | 21 0 3 |

## SUGAR MARKET

Bombay: March 31.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
From Bond Rs. 10/13
Shipment March Rs. 9/6 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ready ordinary Rs. 14 to 14/6
Ready large grain Rs. 14/7 to 15/7
Tone:—Steady.

## BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: March 31.

The local market seems reluctant to follow the smart rise in New York cotton market. The slowness of response is said to be due to liquidation by several market professional operators and due to desire to await tenders against Broach contract to-morrow. Whatever may be the reason, one thing is certain that the technical position of the local market is healthy and 12 cent loan is assured on the next American cotton crop, local prices will go well over Rs. 250 level. Moreover there is scarcity of staple cotton and large Government orders are expected. Thus we believe short sales in the local market are dangerous as our prices are still 200 points under New York.

In sympathy with a rise of 23 pts in New York cotton futures, the local market opened quiet at Rs. 236/8 for Broach J/A delivery and declined to Rs. 234/8 under scattered selling. At the decline there was increased buying and prices improved to Rs. 238 and steadied at Rs. 237 while A/M Broach stood at Rs. 342. The tone was very steady.

There was increased selling and prices declined and J/A was quoted at Rs. 233/8. Liverpool market opened at a rise of 21 pts and Broach J/A improved to Rs. 235. Trading in next year's Indian cotton crop will commence from to-morrow and Broach A/M 1942 delivery is expected to be about Rs. 8 below J/A delivery. There was utter absence of buying and J/A declined to Rs. 130/8. Bombay market is known for speculative activity and to-day's drop proves the same. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

| | |
|---|---|
| F G M G Broach April/May | Rs. 233/0 |
| F G M G Broach July/August | Rs. 229/8 |
| Fine M G Oomra May | Rs. 167/12 |
| Fine M G Oomra July | Rs. 168/0 |
| F G M G Bengal May | Rs. 128/8 |
| F G M G Bengal July | Rs. 130/0 |

## COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay: March 31.

| | Extra Spr. | Fine. | Sup. | Fine. | F. G. | Good |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M M Bengal U P | | 138 | 136 | 134 | 132 | |
| M G Punjab | | 138 | 136 | 134 | 132 | |
| M G Rajputana | | 143 | 141 | 139 | 137 | |
| M G Oomra No. 3 | 182 | 179 | 176 | 173 | ... | |
| M G C. P. No. 1 | 214 | 211 | 208 | 205 | ... | |
| M G C. P. No. 2 | 196 | 193 | 190 | 187 | ... | |
| M G Broach No. 2 | | 247 | 244 | 241 | 238 | |
| M G Punjab/American | | 286 | 283 | 280 | 277 | |
| M G Surat | | 363 | 360 | 357 | 354 | |
| M G Rajpipla | | 358 | 355 | 352 | 349 | |
| M G Navsari | | 378 | 375 | 372 | 369 | |

## READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay: March 31.

| Approx. Quotations. | Ready |
|---|---|
| Bengal Fine | 132/36 |
| Berar | 175/78 |
| C. P. 1 | 209/12 |
| C. P. 2 | 183/89 |
| Khandesh | 150/57 |
| Muglai | 161/63 |
| Broach | 247/49 |
| Punjab S F 289F | 369/79 |
| Punjab R G 289F | 344/49 |
| Punjab R G 4F | 284/91 |

## INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: March 31.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

| In full-pressed bales. | 29-3-41. | Since 1st Septr. This year. | Last year |
|---|---|---|---|
| Khandesh | 140 | 93,211 | 50,065 |
| Central India | 425 | 124,055 | 90,939 |
| Berai and Nagar | 1,078 | 95,528 | 106,632 |
| Hyderabad/Gaorani | 219 | 34,587 | 42,931 |
| Berar | 2,066 | 326,701 | 281,845 |
| Central Provinces | 175 | 67,704 | 69,786 |
| Total Oomras | 4,103 | 744,786 | 642,198 |
| Dholeras | 823 | 61,658 | 60,407 |
| N.-W. Provinces | | 1,202 | 23,546 |
| Rajputana | 21 | 5,058 | 26,896 |
| Sind-Punjab | 4,501 | 423,160 | 307,643 |
| Broach | 4,577 | 78,326 | 298,168 |
| Coompta and Dharwar | 766 | 39,646 | 17,845 |
| Westerns-Northerns | 617 | 44,373 | 18,885 |
| Cocoanada | | 239 | 82 |
| Tinnevelly and Cambodia | | 1,248 | 1,309 |
| Total | 15,408 | 1,396,626 | 1,396,979 |
| Arrived by road to 27th March 1941 | | 238,133 | 209,358 |

## AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: March 31.

| F. P. Bales. | 1940/41 | 1939/40 |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts to date 29-3-41 | 3167000 | 6963000 |
| Receipts yesterday 29-3-41 | 7000 | 19000 |
| Export to date 29-3-41 | 796000 | 5429000 |
| Stock at Ports 28-3-41 | 3452000 | 2897000 |
| Stock at interior towns do. | 3031000 | 2612000 |
| Stock at Liverpool 28-3-41 | | |
| Visible Supply 28-3-41 | | |
| Quantity in sight 28-3-41 | 9681000 | 12279000 |
| Quantity out of sight 28-3-41 | | |

## HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay: March 29.

| | Highest | Lowest | Closing at 3 p.m. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Broach A/M | 238 | 232 | 238 |
| Broach J/A | 235 | 229 1/2 | 234 1/2 |
| Oomra May | 174 1/2 | 172 | 173 1/2 |
| Oomra July | 174 1/2 | 172 | 173 1/4 |
| Bengal May | 135 | 131 3/4 | 131 3/4 |
| Bengal July | 137 | 133 3/4 | 133 1/4 |

## COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May 309 penny points at 1/6.

Broach J/A below Liverpool July 318 penny points at 1/6.

Broach A/M below New York May 199 cent points at 331.

Broach J/A below New York July 206 cent points at 331.

## TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay: March 31.

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat May | 0 4 6 |
| Wheat September | 0 10 0 |
| Linseed May | 0 6 0 |
| Linseed September | 0 14 0 |
| Groundnut February | |
| Groundnut May | 2 2 0 |
| Castorseed May | 2 12 0 |
| Cottonseed May | 1 6 0 |
| Silver 1st Settlement | 0 10 0 |
| Silver 2nd Settlement | 1 10 0 |
| Gold 1st Settlement | 0 8 0 |
| Gold 2nd Settlement | 1 2 0 |

## BOMBAY METALS

Bombay: March 31.

| | |
|---|---|
| Yellow metal sheet | Rs. 72/0 |
| Copper sheets | Rs. 82/8 |

Tone:—Very steady.

## BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay: March 31.

| Yarn No. | April | June | August |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6 1/2s. | 137 | 138 | 139 |
| 10 1/2s. | 160 | 162 | 163 |
| 20 1/2s. | 230 | 232 | 233 |
| 40s. | 325 | 328 | 330 |

## PEPPER & GINGER.

Bombay: March 31.

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd.:—

| | Rs. as. ps. |
|---|---|
| Pepper ready Alleppey per candy | 85 8 0 |
| Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy | 84 8 0 |
| Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy | 87 8 0 |
| Ginger bleached ready per cwt | 18 0 0 |
| Ginger Chaitra Sud 15 per cwt | 17 4 0 |
| Ginger Vaishakh Sud 15 per cwt | 18 0 0 |

## LINSEED & WHEAT.

Bombay: March 31.

| | |
|---|---|
| Linseed May | 5 7 3 |
| Linseed September | 5 9 9 |
| Wheat May | 4 3 0 |
| Wheat September | 4 1 6 |

## GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, March 31.

| | |
|---|---|
| 2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan | 97 |
| 3 1/2 per cent G P Notes | 95-13 |
| 3 per cent 1941 Bonds | 100-10 |
| 3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds | 99-7 |
| 3 per cent 1963/65 Loan | 95 |
| 3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan | 102-7 |
| 4 per cent 1960/70 Loan | 108-15 |
| 4 per cent 1943 Bonds | 104-9 |
| 3 per cent War Bonds | 101-7 |
| 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan | 113/8 |

TAX FREE LOANS.

| | |
|---|---|
| 5 per cent 1945/55 Loan | 111-10 |
| 4 per cent 1963/65 Mysore | 115-8 |
| 3 per cent 1955 Mysore | 125 |

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

| | |
|---|---|
| 4 per cent B P T | 1947 108-4 |
| 4 per cent M Deb | 1974 107-12 |
| 3 per cent M Deb | 1958 116 |
| 6 per cent M Deb | 1954 128-4 |
| 6 per cent K P T | 1956 128 |

Tone:—Subdued.

## ANDHRA VALLEY POWER SUPPLY TO REPAY DEBENTURES

3 3/4 per cent. Andhra Debentures (1941-45) being repaid on 1st July 1941.

## MONEY MARKET

Bombay: March 31.

LONDON:—

B. C. RATES:—
T T D D 1/5 29/32 to 29th Sept.
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 29th Sept.
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 29th Sept.
Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 two months
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 two months
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 next two months.

NEW YORK:—
Bank's selling T T 333 1/4
Bank's buying T T 329 3/4
Bank's buying D D 328

JAPAN:—
Bank's selling T T 81 1/2 nominal
Bank's buying T T 77 1/4 nominal
Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/2 nominal.

JAVA:—
Bank's selling D D 55 3/4

HONGKONG:—
Bank's selling D D 86 1/4

SHANGHAI:—
Bank's selling D D 20 1/4

SINGAPORE:—
Bank's selling D D 157 3/4

CROSS RATES:—
Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 31st inst.
Shanghai/London 0/3 3/4 31st inst.
New York/London 4.03 1/4 29th inst.
London/Java 7.58/62 29th inst.
London/New York 4.02 1/2-3 1/2 29th inst.
London/Switzerland 17.30/40 29th inst.
London/Stockholm 16.85/95 29th inst.
London/Japan 1/2 1/2 29th inst.
London/Canada 4.43/47 29th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Easier.
Gold £8/8/0 28th inst
Silver London Ready 23 1/2 28th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 7/16 28th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 28th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 29th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 29th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call unlendable.
3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone:—Very easy

## SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay: March 31.

Fanamian s s Honduras of 2839 reg tons Capt P Y Rathonis arrived from Bassein with general cargo (Agents B I S N Coy.)

SAILED

Bombay: March 31.

O S Kaisha's Japanese s s Atlas Maru of 4511 reg tons Capt S Kasumoto sailed for Yokohama with passengers, cotton and general cargo.

Shaw Wallace and Coy's American s s Wacosta of 3335 reg tons Capt G R Self sailed for foreign ports with general cargo.

IMPORTS

Bombay: March 31.

725 bls wrapping paper, 363 bls printing paper, 91 c/s razor blades, 91 cts batteries, 148 cts books and booklets, 132 bdls craft paper, 851 lse auto wheels, 100 c/s corn oil, 146 boxes rubber hose, 302 dms sodium hydrosulphite, 38 ctns facial cream, 205 c/s cinema cartons, 48 c/s glassware, 150 c/s steel hinges, 45 c/s grape nuts, 29 bdls leather belting, 26 bls rubber belting, 47 cases baking powder, 77 crtns cnd cocoamalt, 34 bdls trisodium phosphate, 156 ctns welding rods, 61 dms textile finishing compound, 44 ctns radio tubes, 355 pkgs machinery and parts, 155 c/s files, 126 c/s bare copper wire, 100 c/s gin, 54 c/s iron wood screws, 126 c/s steel wood screws, 62 pkgs empty cans and cases, 55 pkgs radios and chassis, 232 c/s raw stock film, 206 pkgs paints, lackuer and thinners, 3146 pkgs dyestuffs, intermediates etc., 162 pkgs tools, 56 c/s powdered milk, 222 c/s Listerine, 435 pkgs medicines, drugs and solutions, 90 drums Glucose, 65 bls cotton fents 60 kegs soda hyposulphite, 112 bdls camphor powder, 46 c/s typewriters, 237 bdls tissue paper, 30 c/s wine, 52 c/s wire, 101 c/s chloroform, 98 pkgs printing ink, 40 kegs chrome acetate powder, 51 pkgs truck chassis, 109 ctns elect lighting fixtures, 167 carboys formic acid, 60 dms hydrosulphite, 40 dms hydrosulphite, 99 carboys acetic acid, 113 cases phospho lecithin, 63 ctns hydrogen peroxide, 40 dms cleaning compound, 155 pcs black steel pipe, 245 ctns rubber tubes, 44 H/hds leaf tobacco, 230 loose rubber tyres, 49 cases rubber tyre air bags, 135 pkgs soaps, 76 ctns glass tumblers, 60 c/s steel nuts, 350 pkgs Hurricane lanterns, 1200 bags powdered Glucose, 928 loose auto springs, 584 pcs M S plates, 110 bdls auto springs and leaves, 437 bdls galvd plain sheets, 431 pcs galvd plain sheets, 101 pcs galvd steel sheets, 298 bdls galvd steel sheets, 89 bdls galvd sheets, 223 pcs galvd sheets.

EXPORTS

Bombay: March 31.

250 bales raw cotton Arjan Khimji and Co.

## Piecegoods & Yarn

Bombay, March 28

PIECEGOODS

Grey, Unbleached:—

| | Per lb. | Rs. a. p. |
|---|---|---|
| Longcloth (Standard Quality) | ,, | 0 12 7 |
| Longcloth (Fine Quality) | ,, | 1 4 3 |
| Shirtings | ,, | 0 12 0 |
| Shirtings (Vegetable Quality) | ,, | 0 11 3 |
| Leopard Cloth | ,, | 0 11 10 |
| Dhoties (upto 1" nakhi Border) | ,, | 0 12 6 |
| Dhoties (Calcutta. 5/8" P.B.) | ,, | 1 2 6 |
| Drills | ,, | 0 11 2 |
| Domestics | ,, | 0 11 3 |
| Domestics | ,, | 0 11 0 |
| Salita | ,, | 0 12 0 |
| Chadars | ,, | 0 12 6 |
| White Bleached:— | | |
| Longcloth | per piece | 13 12 0 |
| Drill | ,, | 11 6 3 |
| Yarn:— | | |
| 4s (All Waste) | per lb. | 0 4 5 |
| 6 1/2s (All Waste) | ,, | 0 4 8 |
| 8 1/2s | ,, | 0 6 3 |
| 10 1/2s | ,, | 0 6 8 |
| 12 1/2s | ,, | 0 6 11 |
| 16s | ,, | 0 9 6 |
| 20s | ,, | 0 9 8 |
| 24s | ,, | 0 10 5 |
| 32s | ,, | 0 11 7 |
| 40s | ,, | 0 14 0 |
| 60s | ,, | 1 5 10 |
| 80s | ,, | 1 13 8 |

# Bombay Dyeing Shares Reach New High Level

## TATA STEEL SHARES LOOK UP

### Tone Very Steady On Continuous Demand

Bombay: March 31.

The local Share Bazar ruled very steady to-day with increased general buying and active shares displayed good rallying power The market being well liquidated was left in a sound technical state and encouraging Balkan news and upward move in raw cotton prices helped the rise in share quotations.

The market remains in a constructive mood and every natural reaction is inducing increased support and at the same time maintaining healthy state. Outside business is still limited and wider differences between cash and forward quotations are viewed somewhat discouraging by buyers in forward, but this disparity is mainly due to trading restrictions.

The Wall-Street market closed very steady on Saturday. Changes for the most part were negligible with a tendency to stand on sidelines in view of week-end Balkan possibilities. However the British naval victory in the Mediterranean, brighter prospects in the settlement of numerous strikes and a further spurt in commodities were encouraging.

### ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay: March 31.

Bombay Dyeing (1130) 1140 1142 1138 1145 1152 1155

Century (421/8) 428 432 430 435

Central India (328/8) 332 335 334 337

Kohinoor (432) 436 440 437 440 439 443

New Great (445) 448 452 450 457

Simplex (112) 114 117

Swadeshi (307/8) 311 318 317 318

Associated Cement (144/8) 145 145/12 145/4

Andhra (1800) 1800

Tramway Ordinary (137/8) 137/8

Tata Hydro (180) 180

Tata Power (1647/8) 1650

Tata Steel Defd (2032/8) 2047 2065 2057 2070 2067

Tata Steel Ordinary (396/8) 399 402 403

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (149/8) 149/8

Bellapur (218/8) 219 221 220 221

Bombay Steam (318) 318

Bombay Burma (567/8) 572 580 576 577

ing. U. S. Steel shares closed 1/2 up at 57 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares were unchanged at 24 3/4 dollars.

There was steady buying throughout the day and prices closed at about the highest level of the day. There was scattered realising which was readily absorbed and the tone of the market was very steady There was moderate replacement buying. Cotton and Steel shares fared well and other scrips were also abie to improve.

Tata Steel Defds opened to day at Rs. 2047 and advanced to Rs. 2070. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 399 and hardened to Rs. 402 Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1140 and after declining to Rs. 1138 advanced to Rs. 1155, which is a new high level. It appears that professional operators were keenly interested in the purchases of Bombay Dyeing shares.

### TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, March 31.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 100 | Ahm. Advance | 281 | 4 |
| 250 | BOMBAY DYEING | 1153 | 12 |
| 100 | CENTURY | 435 | 0 |
| 100 | CENTRAL INDIA | 336 | 8 |
| 100 | COLABA | 193 | 8 |
| 100 | Coorla | 102 | 8 |
| 250 | David | 37 | 8 |
| 250 | Dawn | 347 | 8 |
| 1 | E. D. Sassoon Def. | 0 15 | 3 |
| 100 | FINLAY | 194 | 0 |
| 100 | GOKAK | 230 | 0 |
| 1000 | Hindustan | 2190 | 0 |
| 100 | Indore | 72 | 4 |
| 100 | Khatau | 155 | 0 |
| 100 | KOHINOOR | 443 | 0 |
| 250 | LAXMI | 572 | 8 |
| 100 | MORARJI | 236 | 0 |
| 250 | Model | 96 | 0 |
| 50 | MYSORE | 110 | 0 |
| 200 | NEW GREAT | 457 | 0 |
| 100 | Oosmanshahi | 59 | 8 |
| 100 | Phoenix | 280 | 0 |
| 25 | Sassoon Silk | 92 | 4 |
| 1000 | Sholapur | 2790 | 0 |
| 50 | SIMPLEX | 117 | 0 |
| 100 | SWADESHI | 3-8 | 0 |
| 100 | SWAN | 205 | 8 |
| 500 | Vishnu | 1410 | 0 |
| 1000 | Western | 1197 | 8 |

BANKS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 50-100 | BARODA | 10/ | 8 |
| 25-50 | CENTRAL | 44 | 0 |
| 500 | IMPERIAL | 1557 | 8 |
| 125-500 | Imp Contrys. | 386 | 4 |
| 50-100 | India X.D. | 141 | 0 |
| 100 | RESERVE BANK | 105 | 8

# NEW YORK COTTON ONE POINT DOWN

## COTTON:

**LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES**

JULY 1941

New York, March 31

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 11.24 |
| To-day's opening | 11.23 |
| Difference | —01 |
| To-day's closing | 11.23 |
| Difference | —01 |

**BROACH EXPECTATION**

| | |
|---|---|
| Broach April/May | Rs. 233-0 |
| Broach July/August | Rs. 229 8 |

**LIVERPOOL COTTON**

MARCH 1941

Liverpool, March 31

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 8.64 |
| To-day's opening | 8.85 |
| Difference | +21 |
| To-day's closing | 8.89 |
| Difference | +25 |

**NEW YORK COTTON**

New York, March 31

The New York cotton was moderately active, but in absence of any lead prices made little headway.

Trading in July began at 11.23 that is one point lower than the last. Prices declined slightly on stray selling and liquidation after which some steadiness ensued but thereafter renewed outside selling developed causing a sagging tendency.

## EXCHANGES:

**CROSS RATES**

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, March 31

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 4.03 1/4 |
| To-day's closing | 4.03 1/4 |

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, March 31

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 |
| To-day's opening | 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 |
| To-day's closing | 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 |

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, March 31

T. T. London on Paris not quoted.

**LONDON BULLION**

LONDON SILVER

London, March 31

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil

Forward (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d nl

LONDON GOLD

London, March 31

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

# B. P. C. C. Prepares For National Week

## Hundred Bullock-Carts To Take Part In Procession On Opening Day

A tentative programme for the observance of the "National Week" coming off on April 6, was drawn up on Monday night, by Mr. Dhirijlal Desai, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee.

Elaborate arrangements are in progress. On the first day of the week, a huge procession headed by a hundred colourfully caparisoned and gaily bedecked bullock-carts will be taken out from Azad Maidan to Chowpatty. The bullock-carts will carry Congress workers engaged in the mass demonstration of spinning.

A number of district ward officials and representatives of students' organisations saw the head of the local Congress organisation.

It will be practically a week of political stock-taking.

The work of the National Week has practically begun. It is learnt that Mr. Mahadev Desai and Mr. J. B. Kripalani will be here to inaugurate the celebrations. The arrival of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu to Bombay is not, however, definitely known.

According to the instructions, received from the Congress headquarters to Provincial Committees, the "Week" will be mainly devoted to "rigorous political self-analysis" and the "initiation" of the future effort in that light". That is, according to informed opinion, what Gandhiji wants to be done.

According to Gandhiji the observance of the National Week has a double purpose, namely to achieve self-purification through fasting on the 6th and the 13th and to increase mass consciousness by greater concentration on constructive work.

### WEAPON NOT TO BLAME

In elucidation of these points, it is stated in well-informed circles that Gandhiji's idea is to make every Congressman turn the search-light inwards. The method of the Congress in the prosecution of its goal is not based on violence and the instructions given by Gandhiji are considered to be important to train them in high public life. If the Congress method has not been fruitful enough to reach the aspired goal, the mistake "is not in the weapon but in the wielder thereof."

### SELECTED SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS

A few selected speakers will speak on the occasion. Every ward will have its own meeting on each day of the week. There will be flag salutation ceremonies, organised by the B.P.C.C. at Chowpatty and Nappoo Gardens, Matunga, on the first day. They will be followed by spinning demonstrations. Unlike previous observances, selling of Khadi will take secondary place to the wearing of it, although both are considered to be important. There will be a procession, on the first day, from Azad Maidan to Chowpatty where a meeting will be held in the evening addressed, according to present arrangements, by Messrs. Mahadev Desai and J. B. Kripalani. Hundred bullock carts, gaily bedecked and colourfully caparisoned, carrying Congress workers on a mass demonstration spinning, work, will be the high-lights of the procession.

During the week there will be other ordinary items like the Prithvi Bhojan, etc. On the last three days of the week, Satyagrahis will take a short respite.

The nucleus of the Week is certainly expected to be the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition, which will display for the first time in Bombay, the manufactures of almost all the village industries.

The National Week of this year will have a special significance, it is claimed in Congress circles. It will be no less spectacular and self-analysing. It will be a week of political stock-taking before the new phase begins. And as such vigorous attempts are being made to see that Gandhiji's constructive programme catches and spreads. And it will be carefully watched both by the Congress Headquarters and by Gandhiji.

# "Congress Has Deceived Muslim Youth"

## Jinnah's Charge Against "Hindu" Body: What Brought About Pakistan Plan

CAWNPORE, March 30.

Scathing criticism of the Congress and its policy in regard to the question of Hindu-Muslim unity was made by Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, in the course of his speech at the first Conference of the Cawnpore Muslim Students' Federation held under the presidentship of Mr. Mohammed Momani this afternoon.

Mr. Jinnah said that for the last thirty years efforts were made to bring about communal unity but no settlement could be arrived at owing to the fact that the basis on which the Hindu and Muslim leaders started for the purpose of negotiations were totally different. Hindus, he said, started on the basis that the Muslims were a minority and as such they might be given necessary safeguards, whereas Muslims started on the basis that the Muslims were a separate entity and as such they could come to no settlement. The Congress made this point clear, when it came into power in seven Provinces, by treating the Muslims as a minority. The Muslim League had, therefore, to formulate its goal, which was done on March 23, 1940, at Lahore by passing a resolution about Pakistan.

Continuing Mr. Jinnah said that the Congress had been "deceiving" Muslim youth by saying that it was fighting for the freedom of the country and that the Congress was a national organisation.

### "CONGRESS FRAUD"

Mr. Jinnah added that the Congress was not a national organisation but a "Fascist Grand Council" under one dictator, who was not even a four-anna member of that body. The "Congress fraud" had now been exposed by the Muslim League. Since the arrival of Mahatma Gandhi in the Congress an unfortunate element of spiritualism had been introduced in it. The result was that the Congress had been exposed as a communal organisation. It was a purely Hindu organisation but Mr. Gandhi still obstinately claimed to speak on behalf of the whole of India.

Proceeding Mr. Jinnah said that he was sure that the Congress did not represent any except Hindus and not even all Hindus.

He referred to the Round Table Conferences and said that Mr. Gandhi did not agree to allow 51 per cent representation to Muslims in the Punjab.

When no adjustment could be made between the two communities the Pakistan scheme was devised.

### CONGRESS GONE MAD

The view that the present policy of the Congress and the Satyagraha movement would lead the Hindu community to the greatest disaster was expressed by Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, addressing the second session of the City Muslim League Conference. He added that the Congress and the Hindus should revise and review their policy towards Muslims.

After emphasising the necessity of establishing Pakistan Mr. Jinnah referred to the present political deadlock and said that the responsibility for it lay on the British Government. Congress leadership, he pointed out, "had gone mad" and the Congress leaders had shown a bankruptcy of statesmanship.

Continuing Mr. Jinnah said that the Muslim League had not only put no difficulties in the preparations for the defence of the country, but had repeatedly asked the Government to avail of their co-operation, provided the Government gave them substantial authority within the present framework of the constitution in the centre and the provinces. He asked the Government not to care for those who did not co-operate in the Defence measures and criticised the policy of the Government towards the Congress as being an attempt to placate them.

The Conference concluded after passing a resolution endorsing the Pakistan scheme.—A. P.

## TYRES EXCISE DUTY COMES INTO FORCE

NEW DELHI, March 31.

The (Excise Duty) Bill, 1941, as passed by the Legislature, received the Governor-General's assent on March 31, 1941, and comes into force from April 1, states a press note, the tyres (Excise Duty) order, 1941, which contains rules relating to the assessment and collection of duty under this act, is being published in a Gazette Extraordinary on April 1, 1941. Notifications exempting from duty tyres which are exported by sea to any country outside India and also tyres specially designed for use on animal drawn vehicles are being published in the same gazette.—A. P.

## RED SHIRTS' CAMP WORK

PESHAWAR, March 31.

With brooms in hand, a party of Khudai-Khidmatgar workers, headed by Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, goes out every day from the Chaharguli Red Shirt camp to clear the neighbouring villages of dust and litter. At the end of the day's sweeping operation, the villagers are collected and lectured on sanitation and hygiene.

The Chaharguli camp in the Mardan District started on March 26, will conclude on April 1.—A. P.

## MADRAS SHARE MARKET

### Undertone Firm

Madras, March 31

The market opened with a firm undertone and a moderate turnover was possible. Banks and Securities were steady. Plantings received good support and Sugars were firm while miscellaneous shares disclosed no special features.

Transactions from 12 noon Saturday to 12 noon to-day :—

Indian Bank 126 xd; Bank of Mysore 287; Lakshmi Mills 60/12; Kaleeswarar Mills 284 xd; Mysore Spun Silk 8/12; Chembra Peaks 3/7; Peermade Tea 27/8; Rajagiri Rubber 5/2; Cochin Malabar Ord 6/12; Mlamallay Tea 26; Tropical Plantations 19/8; United Nilgiri Teas 122; Be Be Rubbers 5/14 small lot; Velliamattam Rubber 19/4 small lot; Travancore Cables and Rubber 1/1 small lot; Travancore Rubbers 9/2 cd; South Arcot Electric 91; South Madras Electric 13/4; Mysore Stonewar Pipes 8/6; Amrutanjan pref 100; Mysore Papr Mills 14/3; Ouchterlonev Valley debs 105/8 small lot; Indian Steel Rolling ord 7/12; do pref 11/14; Travancore Sugars 14/4.

## Business Bodies Can Pay In Advance E. P. & Income Taxes

Calcutta, March 31

The attention of the various Chambers of Commerce and Trade Associations is drawn by the Government of India to the suggestion that business concerns, which have earmarked sums with their banks for Excess Profits Tax and Income Tax might like to pay these in advance as a measure of temporary but valuable assistance to the national finances.

It is, of course, it is added, to be definitely be understood, that the amount of any such advance payment will not be construed by the Income Tax Department as an admission of the amount due and there will be immediate refund of the balance, if any, after assessment. The Government of India point out that they have instructed their officers that in cases where such advance payments are made, they are no to delay making assessments on the ground that there is little additional revenue to be obtained from them.—A.P.

BOMBAY BANKERS' CLEARING HOUSE

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 28-3-1941 were as under :—

Number of cheques—1,38,139.

Amount of cheques—Rs. 24,92,59,728-8-2.

KHADI AND V. I. BOARD—A joint meeting of the Khadi and Village Industries Board; its Sub-Committees and Sub-Committees of the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition, will be held on Thursday, the 3rd April 1941, at 6-15 p.m. (S.T.) at Lad Wadi, C. P. Tank, Vithalbhai Patel Road.

## ISLAM & WOMEN'S PROGRESS

"No religion is worth supporting which hampers the progress of women. It is only the false interpretation of religion if it does not react on the present needs and requirements", said Lady Rama Rau in the course of her lecture delivered under the auspices of the Muslim Students Union at Blavatsky Lodge on Monday evening. Mrs. A. A. A. Fyzee presided.

Speaking on the regeneration of Muslim women, she said that the most distressing aspect of Indian life to-day was the degradation of Muslim women by the Purdah system. There were still barriers of seclusion behind which the Muslim women of India lived. It is the Muslim young men who should begin to sweep into the current of modern life and make widespread and vehement demand for the education of girls. First of all, they should seek to reform the age-long traditions and customs such as harem life which stood in the way of racial, material, social and religious developments. It was a blot on Indian womanhood if a section of women were forced to remain in darkness in response to the age-long customs and traditions. It was a dreadful evil, like the child marriage of Hindus. Evil of child marriage existed in the same proportion as Purdah system in the Muslim community.

All these evils and disabilities could be overcome by imparting education to Muslim girls. They should not be allowed to stop their education at the age of nine or ten as was usually done. She further advised and suggested how a social group could be formed and dictate parents with regard to women's uplift. They should even refuse to marry a girl who is not educated.

For their marriages among their own relations, kith and kin should be strongly discouraged. Marriages intercommunal and inter provincial should be encouraged, and such sort of reform should take place in that direction. Unless they were prepared to revolt against the practice and customs of age-long traditions which was running the health of women who were to be the mothers of children it was impossible to try for the regeneration of Muslim women of India. Health and beauty were synonymous.

Mrs. A. A. A. Fyzee who presided thanked the lecturer for the very illuminating speech.

## Prize For Village Improvement

With a view to stimulating interest among the rural population for village improvement work, the Government of Bombay has decided to grant each year a prize of the value of Rs. 100 to one village in each district. The prize will be allotted to the village which is adjudged to have shown the best results in the various items of village improvement.

The allotment will be made by the Commissioner on the recommendation of the Collector of the district. For the Broach and Panch Mahals district, two prizes will be allotted—one for the Broach sub-division and the other for the Panch Mahals sub-division.

The winning village will be consulted as to the form which the prize should take. If the villagers, for instance, desire to utilize the amount of the prize to supplement a local collection of money for building, say, a drinking trough or a well, the value of the prize will be paid in cash. If, however, the village prefers to have some specific article—a chaff cutter, iron plough, cane crusher or a hand pump—which is considered useful, the prize money may be utilized for procuring it.

## PRANLAL DEVKARAN'S DINNER TO MAYOR

"Mr. Mathuradas Tricumjee has not only discharged his Mayoral responsibilities most successfully but with great ability, tact and impartiality," observed Seth Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee in the course of a post-prandial speech at a dinner given by him on Monday night at the Wellingdon Sports Club, Bombay in honour of Mr. Mathuradas Tricumjee, the retiring Mayor of Bombay.

"It is but natural, considering that we have been personal friends for the last thirtyfive years that I should do him this honour, as in honouring him I feel myself honoured", continued the host and added: "His outstanding quality is his honesty. He makes decisions and sticks to them. Above all he is loyal to his principles."

In conclusion Seth Pranlal referred to two letters sent by Prof. Davar and Mr. Jamnadas Mehta which expressed regret at their inability to attend the dinner and paid glowing tributes and profuse encomiums to the Mayor's impartiality during his regime.

### MAYOR'S REPLY

Mr. Mathuradas Tricumjee responding the toast said: "Whatever I have been able to achieve was because of the lessons that I have learnt from Gandhiji."

He added that in spite of much opposition it was possible for him to discharge his duties equitably on account of the opposition of the different parties in the Corporation.

Dr. G. V. Deshmukh in a short speech thanked Seth Pranlal. He was followed by Mr. C. B. Mehta.

## All-India Weather Report

Poona, March 31

Scattered thunderstorms occurred in Punjab, United Provinces Hills and the region from east Central Provinces and Chota Nagpur to Assam. A few thundershowers are also reported from the extreme south of the Peninsula. Observations from many stations in Kashmir have not been received. Chief amounts of rainfall are :—Mussoorie one and half inches; Pamban three quarters; Gauhati and Trivandrum half. Night temperatures have risen appreciably along and near the North-West Frontier and fallen in North-east India.

Forecast until first evening :—Scattered thundershowers are likely along and near the North-West Frontier and in Kashmir. A few thundershowers may occur in Assam, Orissa, east Central Provinces, North Deccan, south-east Madras and Malabar. Temperatures may slightly rise in the Punjab and north Rajputana.—A.P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 31st March, 1941 :—

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hrs. —.064 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 81.5 deg.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 67.5 deg.

Maximum temperature during 24 hrs. 90.0 deg. (2.5 above normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hrs. 76.1 deg. (2.4 above normal).

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 46 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. N.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 2 miles per hr.

Total movement of wind in 24 hrs. 218 miles

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours : 27 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) Traces.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 31/3/1941

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 82.7 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.06 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.84 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

## Mysore League Cricket

Bangalore, March 31

The Central College won the Mysore State League Cricket Championship for the Sir Mirza Ismail Shield, defeating the Engineering College by an innings and 61 runs.

Scores : Engineering College 168 and 906; Central College 435.—A.P.

*Hockey*

# League Champions In Quarter Final

## Lusitanians Just Beaten In Aga Khan Tourney

**One of Bombay's hopes, the Lusitanians went out of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament on Monday, another local side that may keep the trophy in Bombay, the G.I.P. Railway triumphed and are now in the quarter-finals stage of the tourney.**

**The Lusitanians who played almost the full 60 minutes one short went down to the Crescent Club, Karachi, by a solitary goal. This goal came ten minutes from the close of a game which it seemed would turn into a stalemate. The cause of the Lusis ten-men encounter was the fracturing of a finger of Gama, their right half, in the opening phases of the game.**

The G.I.P. eliminated the Bareilly Nobles by the odd goal in three in a contest that went in favour of the Railway in the first half during which spell they tallied twice. The first fifteen minutes of the second spell were shared. Bareilly then reduced the lead. This gave the visitors considerable encouragement, and it was the Nobles turn to dominate proceedings, and the Railway were forced to wage a defensive fight until the very end of the encounter.

### LUSITANIANS OUT

The Crescent Club got under way from the initial bully-off and Hannah, tried to push the ball past Leo Pinto in the nets, who fell full length and deflected the ball out of play. The Lusitanians cleared from a scramble, following a corner award. Their forwards entered the Karachi 'D' and D'Sa tested Bashir, who, however, raved. A defender put the ball out of play.

A spell of mid-field play followed. Another opening came to the Lusitanians but E. de Souza, their centre-forward, tallied with the ball and was deprived of it before he could shoot.

Abbas Khan might have given the Crescent Club the lead, but as he moved into the Lusitanian ring, he was barged into by a defender and lost the ball. A penalty corner was the sequel. It served no purpose.

In the closing stages, before the break, the visiting side were the better team, but the sides changed ends with the score boards showing love-all

The Crescent Club were the first to attack, one raid closed with three efforts to score. Leo Pinto saved two shots, then Zakaullah put the third attempt wide.

It was now the turn of the Lusitanians to enjoy a spell in their opponents' area. They failed to use two penalty corners.

The visiting side came on again and Leo Pinto saved once at the cost of a corner. This presented an opening to P. P. Fernandes, his effort went wide. This player, however, made amends ten minutes from the close when he picked up a free hit, taken from just below the Lusitanian 25-yards-line and ran through to score a nice goal, which proved to be the decider. A little later Abbas Khan was guilty of wasting a fine chance of scoring a second goal. In the last seconds the Lusitanians almost saved the game. They, however, failed to get the all-important point a great shot from Norman Fernandes missing its mark.

For the Crescent Club Nazareth, Brewin and Abbas Khan, of cricket fame, showed up.

On the losing side, there was nothing remarkable done. The loss of Gama early in the game seemed to spoil the balance of the team

The teams were:

LUSITANIANS:—Pinto, D. J. Fernandes and F. D'Souza; Gama, P. D'Souza and Pinto, N. Fernandes, D'Sa, E. D'Souza, D'Costa and Fichardo.

CRESCENT CLUB, KARACHI: Bashir, Nazareth and Louis Gonsalves; Pereira, Brewin and R. Gonsalves' Zakaullah, Hannah, Abbas Khan, P. P. Fernandes and Jan Mohamed.

### LEAGUE CHAMPIONS WIN

The Railway entered on their encounter against the Bareilly Nobles with zest and had the visitors pinned for almost the full initial half in their own area. Tandon, the Nobles goal-keeper, saved his side in the seventh minute, when he saved brilliantly from E. Bocarro, coming to his knees to do so.

Five minutes later once again the Railway just missed taking the lead. A great pass from Tellis just missed the stick of Hakim as he rushed forward to tap the ball in. The G.I.P. were not to be kept out. M. Bocorro got in a good effort from a corner award Tandon saved. A scramble followed in the ring, Rashid the centre-forward, managed to get possession, there was no delay, and he scooped high past Tandon's head. The same player might have netted another goal shortly after. He got the ball alone in the ring, but failed in an attempted scoop. Rashid, however, just before the interval was responsible for the winner's second goal. He picked up a nice forward pass from M. Bocarro, dribbled into the "D" and then beat Tandon, who had run out of goal to meet him

For fifteen minutes after half time there was little to chose between the sides, as the Nobles were playing a better game, and the exchange to a great extent were shared, good hockey being seen. In the fifteenth minute the Nobles scored, Abasi, the inside right, scooping past Dawson, from what appeared an impossible angle. Everyone was amazed to find that the ball had entered the net.

The rest of the game ran in favour of the Nobles and in the closing minutes they were all over their opponents, the equaliser was looked for, but the Railway defence managed to hold out.

For the winners, then five-foot back, Tick Grostrate, was outstanding. Marsh, E. Bocarro, Rashid and Tellis were also always in the limelight.

The Nobles had good men in Tandon, Mehdi, Safdar Ali and Abasi.

The teams were:

G.I.P. RAILWAY: Dawson, Carvalho and Grostrate; Rahmat, Marsh and E. Bocarro; Myres, Hakim, Rashid, M. Bocarro and Tellis

BAREILLY NOBLES:—Tandon, Safdar Ali and Baboo Khan; Awasti, Mehdi and Mahamood; Azmat, Abasi, Khubchand, Masud and Aftab.

UMPIRES: Messrs. N. C. Nagporewalla and A. V. Ribeiro.

### TO-DAY'S MATCH

Bombay Gymkhana ground—5-30 p.m.—Rawalpindi District Hockey Association v. Kirkee United.

### INTER-SCHOOL HOCKEY

Both the Semi-Finals of the Dr. Viegas Inter-School Tourney will be re-played on Tuesday, at the St. Xavier's Ground, Parel.

4-30 p.m. Dr. Antonio da Silva High School v. St. Stanislaus' High School "A".

5-30 p.m. St. Sebastian Goan High School "A" v. St. Mary's High School "A".

*Football*

# Grand Club Of Cortalim Tournament

## Keen Soccer Witnessed In Semi-Final

The replay of the second semi-final of the Grand Club of Cortalim Football Tournament was a very keen contest. The Grand Club of Oxel and the Club of Assolna (Boa Morte) met for a second time before a very large attendance. The latter were not disappointed, as thrill piled up on thrill all through this rugged football duel. Things happened so fast that, it was almost more than the average spectator could do to keep pace with them.

The first half to a very great extent was a balanced affair, but the Club of Oxel scored midway through the period.

The Club of Assolna made desperate efforts to get on terms after half-time, but the Oxel defence was equal to their onslaughts. The game progressed thus. Assolna, however, instead of getting the equaliser allowed the winners to break through ten minutes from the close, when a second goal was tallied.

The Club of Assolna were not deterred and fought frantically. The Club of Oxel were so hard pressed that they had practically their entire side defending. The losers might have gained their ambition, but anxiety and excitement to the extreme prevented them making use of several scoring chances. The Club of Oxel were awarded several corners to no purpose. In the last moments of the struggle A. Paes at last found the net for his Club. This came late, as immediately after this the game came to a close.

The final of the Tournament will be played on April 6 at 5-30 p.m. This game will be preceded by the match for the "Hard Lines" Cup, where the losing semi-finalists will be in opposition.

Seats can be reserved on application to the Secretary of the Tournament before Saturday next. There will be no chairs provided for those who have not applied.

## Bombay Football Team For Goa

BOMBAY, Monday.

The W. I. A. A. Staff, one of Bombay's best local sides, have been invited by the Goa Football Association to participate in their tournament at Goa. The W. I. F. A. have informed the W. I. A. A. Staff that they will be permitted to play in the Goa Tournament provided the Goa Football Association affiliate with the W. I. F. A. before Thursday, the day on which the W. I. A. A. Staff are due to leave Bombay.

## Nadkarni Cup Draw

BOMBAY, Monday.

Forty-two teams have entered for the Nadkarni Cup Football Tournament. The draw was made late on Monday evening at the Cooperage. This competition is open only to Indian sides and the first match will be played on April 5. The following is the draw :—

FIRST QUARTER

B. B. & C. I. S. C. (bye) v. Apollo Rainbow 'B' (bye).

Martan Vijaj 'B' (bye) v. Young Jolly F. C. 'B' (bye).

South Kanara 'A' (bye) v. Martand Vijaj 'A' (bye).

Caltex S. C. (bye) v. Jaganath Fishermen 'A' (bye).

SECOND QUARTER

South Kanara 'D' (bye) v. Khar United 'B' (bye).

Kirkee Heroes (bye).

Young Mangaloreans S. C. v. St. Francis S. C.

Khatau S. C. v. Bright Star F. C.

Central Bank Staff v. Manglorian Catholics.

Maharastra Gymkhana v. Apollo Rainbow 'A'

Muslim S. C. 'B' v. South Kanara 'C'.

THIRD QUARTER

South Kanara 'B' v. Muslim Sports Club 'A'.

"Times of India" v. Bengal Club.

Brittania S. C. v. Khar Young United 'A'

C. N. Y. S. Club 'A' v. Embarkation Staff

St. Xavier's College v. Tata Sports Club.

B. E. S. T. (bye)

C. N. Y. S. C. 'B' v. Young Jolly S. C. 'A'

FOURTH QUARTER

Y. M. C. A. (bye) v. Government Welfare (bye).

Byculla Young Lovers (bye) v. Ammunition Factory, Poona 'B'.

Georgian Sporting (bye) v. Jagannath Fishermen (bye).

Bhimraj S. C. (bye) v. W. I. A. A. Staff (bye).

## Football Associations' New Decision

There is no longer to be a ban on referees who wear spectacles. This decision, which was arrived at by the Football Association at a meeting held at Nottingham is a natural outcome of the present shortage of referees.

Regulation 6 of the Control of Referees which governs the matter, states "Referees and linesmen who of necessity are compelled during the course of matches to wear glasses or a person who has lost the sight of an eye should not be registered."

It was decided to relax this regulation so as to permit (a) the re-registration of referees who since the season 1937-38 have had to wear glasses, and (b) the examination of prospective referees who are compelled to wear spectacles.

The Western Indian Football Association this year would be well advised to give the eye-sight question special attention. A very successful 1940 Season was on occasions spotted with black marks, as a number of matches were spoilt by referees with poor eye-sight. Glasses should be permitted, but referees with bad eyes, who also do not take to glasses, should be debarred from refereeing.

## War Fund Wrestling

Lahore, March 31

The wrestling contests arranged in aid of the Lahore War Planes' Fund and the Police Spitfire Fund which were held to-day at the Minto Park were witnessed by a large crowd.

Of the three principal bouts two were in the all-in wrestling style and one in Indian style.

The contest between Hamida and Constantine, in the Indian style, took only five minutes, the Indian pinning his adversary soon and snatching a quick verdict.

The best bout of the evening was between Harbans Singh and Sardar Khan and resulted in the defeat of the latter. The bout was in the all-in style.

In the Daula-Clark fight the Indian took only three minutes to get down his opponent and win the contest.

The following are the results of the principal contests :—

(Indian Style) : Hamida beat George Constantine.

(All-in Wrestling) : Daula beat George Clark; Harbans Singh beat Sardar Khan.—A.P.

## TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

VILE PARLE FUNCTION

On Sunday evening, a large gathering was present at the prize distribution of the Krishnabai Limaye Vyayamshala and the Women's English and Sewing Classes conducted by the Lokmanya Seva Sangh.

Referring to the Greater Bombay Scheme, Mr. N. V. Modak, City Engineer, Bombay Municipality, who presided at the function, said that the scheme would provide better amenities to the suburban areas. He also referred to the way in which water supply and drainage schemes operated in Greater London and other cities and he suggested that when the Greater Bombay Scheme was introduced, a separate Water Board and Drainage Board, independent of the Municipality, with Municipal members on it should be formed.

The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Laxmibai Modak.

### SMALL POX IN EPIDEMIC FORM

Smallpox is at present prevailing in all the districts of the Province, including Bombay city. The incidence is on the increase in the districts of Ahmednagar, Poona, Satara, Ratnagiri, Belgaum, Dharwar and Nasik. The incidence of smallpox in various districts of the Province for the last five years, the number of unprotected children left in each district and the presence of infection even during the non-epidemic season, all indicate that there is a danger of smallpox assuming serious proportions, unless prompt measures are taken. Vaccination is a simple operation which has proved its value as an efficient protective against smallpox and the public should take full advantage of the special arrangements made therefor.

### "Victory" Prayer

Services and meetings were held all over the Province of Bombay, in response to His Majesty the King-Emperor's desire that Sunday, March 23, should be observed as a day of prayer for victory and of thanksgiving.


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## LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

### To-day

Hindu: Chaitra Sud 4, 1997
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Avval 3, 1360
Parsi: Meher 29, 1310
Hightide: 2-02, 14-40
Lowtide: 8-07, 20-29
Sunrise: 6h. 34m.
Susnet: 6h. 55m.

LECTURE ON 'BHAGWAT GEETA'—Pandit Gopalcharlu, will deliver a public lecture on 'Geeta' to-day (Tuesday) at 8-15 p.m. in Shree Ramakrishna Ashram, Merzellow Building, 64, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar, (B. B. & C. I. Railway.).

BEST HOBBIES EXHIBITION—Mr. P. B. Advani, Director of Industries, Government of Bombay, will open the BEST Hobbies Exhibition and Mrs. Advani will distribute the prizes on Friday, April 4th, at 5 p.m. in the Conference Hall, Electric House. The Exhibition will be open to the public on Saturday and Sunday from 3-30 to 7 p.m.

DAVID SASSOON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL—The annual prize distribution of the above school at Matunga has been fixed for 2nd April, 1941. The programme will commence at 5 p.m. (S.T.) and will last for about an hour and quarter. His Excellency Sir Roger Lumley, President of the Children's Aid Society will preside, and Lady Lumley will distribute the prizes.

GATHA SOCIETY—A meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 134-136, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, when Mr. Behramgore Tehmuras Anklesaria, M.A., will give an exposition in Gujarati of the Vahishta Ishti Gatha (Yasna Ha 53), strophes 6-7.

BOMBAY HINDI VIDYAPEETH—Vacation Free Hindi Classes will be started from to-day (Tuesday) and will be held in Bombay Hindi Vidyapeeth Office, Marwari Vidyalaya Bhawan, 1st floor, (side entrance), Sandhurst Road, between 8 and 9 a.m.


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## AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Swanee River" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Invisible Woman" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Santa Fe Trail" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Convoy" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Son of Monte Cristo" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Pardesi" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Radhika" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Naya Sansar" Daily at 3-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Ghar Jawai" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Dhoop-Chhaon" Daily time as usual.
KRISHNA—"Samajna Vanke" Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Prabhat" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi" Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
EDWARD—"Dnyaneshwar" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Nartaki" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.

DR. SHETYE'S DISPENSARY FOR POOR—The opening ceremony of Dr. Shetye's dispensary at Dadar Main Road for the poor was celebrated under the chairmanship of Mr. N. M. Kale in the presence of a large gathering on the 28th instant.

WATER POLO TOURNEY—The Annual Water Polo Quadrangular Tournament, sponsored by the Golvala Brothers at the Victoria Swimming Bath, Back Bay, will extend over two days April 3 and 4. The matches start on each day at 6-30 p.m. The Parsis, Hindus, Europeans and Zionists are competing.

MUSLIM ARTS & CRAFT EXHIBITION—Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League Women's Sub-Committee and the Exhibition Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League Conference, the opening ceremony of the Muslim Arts and Craft Exhibition to be held near the Dongri Police Station, in co-ordination with the Bombay Provincial Muslim League Conference will be performed on Thursday, the 3rd instant at 5 p.m. (S.T.).

Dawager Lady Currimbhoy Ebrahim has kindly consented to perform the ceremony. The Exhibition will be open for the Ladies only upto 6 o'clock on the 3rd proximo and it will be open for all after 6 p.m. (S.T.).

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION—The annual general meeting of Electrical Contractors' Association was held on 15th March when the Annual Report and Audited Statements of Account of the Association for the year ended 31st December, 1940, were adopted unanimously and a new managing committee was formed for the current year 1941-42 who elected the following new office-bearers :—

Mr. G. Charles (President), Mr. Y. A. Fazalbhoy (Vice-President), Mr. I. B. Damania and Mr. B. P. Sheth (Jt. Hon. Secretaries), Mr. F. K. Marshall and Mr. Alfred Lobo (Jt. Hon. Treasurers).

Mr. K. S. Guzder and Mr. Alfred Lobo were elected representatives of the Association on the Licensing Board (Elec. Dept.) P. W. D. Bombay.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION—The Managing Committee of the Muslim Students' Union, have submitted the 24th annual report of the working of the Union during the calendar year 1939. The Union had an unusually active year. A number of lectures were arranged on political, social and cultural topics. The Union lent its support to the Prohibition Movement, and Mr. K. M. Munshi was invited to speak on the subject. A special feature of the Union's activities was a cultural conference, organized under the joint auspices of the Bombay Students' Brotherhood and the Union.

The Union is maintaining a steady increase in membership.

### Selby In Hot Water Again

C. Selby, the Australian jockey, who was suspended indefinitely in Bombay, in November, 1ff939, for his riding of Rahana, but granted a clearance to ride in Australia, has been suspended for 12 months at Adelaide.

The owner and trainer of the horse concerned who were also up before the Australian Stewards, were exonerated from all blame.

### Reserve Bank Employees' Demand For Allowance

Bombay, March 29

A largely attended meeting of the Reserve Bank of India Employees' Association was held on the 29th instant at the Reserve Bank premises, Mr. S. C. Joshi presiding.

Resolutions demanding the grant of dearness allowance, revision of scales of pay of inferior servants and fixation of working hours for the staff were passed. The speaker stressed the necessity of granting dearness allowance immediately on lines granted by the Railways, revising the scales of 'D' class employees on the lines of revision sanctioned by the Government of India to their employees.

### RULES FRAMED UNDER TENANCY ACT

Rules have been framed by the Government of Bombay in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 27 of the Bombay Tenancy Act, 1939.

The following are some of the important rules published in the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated March 31.

MANNER OF APPRAISING CROP SHARE PAYABLE AS RENT

Whenever the rent payable by a tenant to his landlord consists of a share of the crop grown on the land held by the tenant, the quantity of the produce to be given to the landlord shall be ascertained in such manner as may be agreed upon between such tenant and his landlord. If there is no such agreement or if there is a dispute between the parties the landlord or the tenant may make an application to the Mamlatdar for determining the quantity of the produce to be given to the landlord Such application shall be made before such date as the Collector may fix in this behalf.

With regard to receipt of rent the following rule is framed :

A receipt given under section 22 for the amount of rent received in respect of any land shall be given in the regional language of the locality and the counterfoil of such receipt shall be signed by the tenant or his authorised agent in acknowledgment of his having received it When a share of the produce is paid as rent, the kind and quantity of such produce shall be mentioned in the receipt.


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# Bombay Prepares For Biggest Exhibition

## *Spectacular Display Of Village Crafts And Khadi Will Be On View At Ram Bagh And Lad Wadi From April 5*

Bombay will usher in the National Week which commences on the 6th instant with, perhaps, the most unprecedented display of the progress and achievement of the auxiliary organisations of the Indian National Congress, namely, the All-India Spinners' Association and the All-India Village Industries Association. For days now members of the Khadi Board organised by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have been busy planning one of the most spectacular exhibitions ever seen in this city of village industries and Khadi. Ram Bagh and Lad Wadi where the two exhibitions will be held are already humming with life. Many workers and volunteers gather there every evening to give finishing touches to the arrangements.

THEIR SLOGAN

Mr. Vithaldas Jerajani and Mr. Purushottam Kanji of the A.I.S.A. and Mr. V. L. Mehta of the A.I.V.I.A. along with a host of other prominent Congressmen are busy looking into the minutest details of the exhibition, while large numbers of young men and women take their instructions regarding the nature of their work during the period of the exhibition. "Instruction with display"—this is the guiding slogan with which the organisers approach their task and they aim at acme of perfection. "The accumulated experience of past years is before us and we have benefited from it. We want to make of this exhibition an object lesson not only in the demonstration of things produced, but also showing to the people, as far as possible, how they were produced.

THE TWO EXHIBITIONS

Ram Bagh and Lad Wadi are located in one of the busiest parts of the city. They are hardly a stone's throw from Madhav Bagh (C.P. Tank). Both tram and bus conveyances are available. The selection of the place for the exhibition, from all points of view, is ideal and should attract an unending stream of visitors during all the days it will remain open. It will run for 15 days from the 5th instant to the 20th instant. It may be that public pressure may compel the organisers to extend the period.

DEPARTURE FROM TRADITION

The decision to have two different 'Wadis' one each for Khadi and Village industries is a departure from past traditions of such exhibitions. This departure has been made with a view to combine instruction with display. In Ram Bagh will be located the instructive part of village industries. There will be shown the various processes employed in the manufacture of leather goods, paper, coir products, oil extraction, sugar, rice and rice pounding, etc. The demonstration of the practical processes is being provided for the first time on the present scale and should convey to the visitors an idea of the great progress that has been made in the development of village industries and the consequent new life that they have introduced in the "deserted" villages of this country.

In Lad Wadi will be seen the most spectacular display of Khadi dar in all its variety and colour and finished village crafts. There will be, apart from the stalls where Khadi will be exhibited and sold, spinning demonstrations on improved models of Charkhas

"WOMEN'S CORNER"

There will also be a "Women's Corner." This corner is reserved for the 'Rangoli' competition. This pristine art of the home has gone into disuse or decay with the advent of modern sophistication The appearance of artificial metal implements has seriously affected the proficiency of the individual in this art. This competition, it is believed, will evoke great interest and the people may look forward to variety of designs. There are other competitions also arranged during the period of the exhibition. Full particulars of all these can be had from Lad Wadi.

A series of informed lectures on the constructive programme have also been arranged. Among those who are scheduled to speak are Thakkar Bapa, Kaka Kalelkar and Sjt. Narhari Parekh. Sjt. Mahadeo Desai will open the exhibition.

### Exhibits Of "Self-Spun" Khadi

The Joint Hon. Secretaries of the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition write:

As announced the artisans who have been invited to demonstrate the different processes of the village industries will arrive in Bombay on the 1st of April and will make necessary preparations for their demonstrations.

EXHIBITIONS OF SELF-SPUN KHADI

Many persons in the city of Bombay and suburbs spin for themselves and get Khadi woven out of their self-spun yarn. Those persons who have got Khadi prepared out of the yarn spun by themselves are requested to send a specimen of such Khadi to the Secretary, Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition at Lad Wadi, C.P. Tank, on or before the 3rd of April, 1941, so that they can be placed in the Exhibit Court of the Exhibition. We have no doubt that many persons will send such specimen at their earliest convenience.

APPEAL TO COLLEGE STUDENTS

Those students whose examinations are over and who are desirous of offering their services to the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition to be held from 5th April to 20th April at Lad Wadi and Ram Baug, C.P. Tank, are requested to see the Secretary, Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition, at Lad Wadi, C.P Tank, between 4 and 7 p.m. (S.T.).

### COMPETITIONS AT KHADI EXHIBITION

1. Charkha Spinning Competition.
2. Takli Spinning Competition.
3. Fancy Khadi Dress Competition for Children.
4. Hindustani Elocution Competition.
5. Rangoli Competition.

For particulars write to the Joint. Hon. Secretaries, Exhibition Sub-Committee, Lad Wadi, C. P. Tank, Bombay 4.

### KHADI FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL

The General Secretary of the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition writes :—

During the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition to be held at Lad Wadi and Ram Baug, there will be a Fancy Dress Carnival for Children below 15 years.

Those intending to take part must inform the Secretaries of the Exhibition at Lad Wadi, C. P. Tank. Entrants will be required to dress only in Khaddar. Prizes will be distributed amongst the winners.

The Carnival will be held at Lad Wadi. The time and date will be announced later.

There will also be an exhibition of hand-spun yarn of all varieties, qualities and counts, which will be displayed at a conspicuous place in the Exhibition premises.

About 300 samples of hand-spun yarn from the Citizens of Bombay and Suburbs have already been received by the A. I. S. A. Khadi Bhandars in the City and Suburbs. Those wishing to exhibit their yarn also may please send at least one hank of their self-spun yarn to any Khadi Bhandar in the City and Suburbs or at the Exhibition Office, at Lad Wadi. Such yarn will be exhibited with the name of the spinner, full particulars of the yarn such as count, quality etc.

HINDUSTANI ELOCUTION COMPETITION

A Hindustani Elocution Competition will also be held during the Exhibition days. The subjects of elocution will relate to the Constructive Programme of the Congress. Those wishing to participate must inform the Secretaries, Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition, Lad Wadi, C. P. Tank.

### Muslim League Conference

The Hon. Secretary, Propaganda Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League Conference writes :—

The preparations for the Muslim League Conference are in full press in the city. The "mandap" for the Conference is also getting ready. The special feature of the "mandap" will be the exhibition in which the Muslim merchants have shown interest. Those desiring to have stalls may please apply early since only few stalls are available. Special accommodation has been fixed for the Reception Committee members and ladies. Delegates also will occupy a prominent place. Every inch of the space available will be utilized for the masses. The rates of tickets to the "mandap" are as follows :—

Daily tickets: As. 4, As. 8, Re. 1, Rs. 2, Rs. 5 and Rs. 10.

Full session tickets for 3 days: As. 8, Re. 1, Rs. 2 and Rs. 5.

Since there is a great demand for tickets, the public is hereby informed to hurry up for purchasing the tickets at the League Office, Shahru Castle, Mohamed Ali Road, Bombay 3.

### Editor Of "Kannada Nudi" In Bombay

Mr. B. Venkoba Rao, Editor, "Kannada Nudi", the official weekly published by the Karnataka Sahitya Parishat, Bangalore, and also Hon. Secretary of the Parishat, was in Bombay for the past three or four days and left by the Nagpur Express on (Monday) 'en route' to Delhi.

The Bombay Kannada Sangha, Matunga, availed itself of his short stay in Bombay by arranging under the auspices of the study circle of the Sangha a lecture on "Karnataka Architecture."

### Vice-Chancellor's Term Extended

According to the Bombay Government Gazette, under Section 10 of the Bombay University Act (Act IV of 1928) His Excellency the Chancellor of the University of Bombay has been pleased to re-appoint Mr. R. P. Masani, to be the Vice-Chancellor of the University with effect from April 1, 1941.

"ISLAM & ITS PROPHETS"—In celebration of the Prophet's birthday, Maulvi Maulana Gulam Farid of Sialkot, by special invitation, is delivering lectures on "Islam and Its Prophet", at the Khoja Sunnat Jamat's Mosque, Khadak, Bombay, every night at 9 p.m. (S.T.) Loudspeakers are installed and separate arrangements are made for 'purdah' ladies. Muslim ladies and gentlemen are cordially invited.

# Mass Spinning Demonstration At Matunga

### About 60 Persons Participate: Over 20,000 Yards Of Yarn Produced

About three-score charkhas plied for a spell of about three hours and half at a stretch on Sunday afternoon at the Napoo Hall, Matunga. The occasion was the mass spinning demonstration organised by the South Indian Association in co-operation with the newly-formed Charkha Club and the Gujarati Seva Mandal. In all about 21,000 yards of yarn was produced. The yarn will be handed over to the A.I.S.A. through the Khadi Board.

B.P.C.C. PRESIDENT PARTICIPATES.

While the demonstration was in progress Mr. Dhirajlal B. Desai, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee entered the hall. He also participated in the spinning for a while and addressed those present. He expressed satisfaction at the way the message of the charkha was catching up in the city and referred to a similar demonstration that was held the same day at Mandvi. He appreciated the efforts that were being made by workers to spread the charkha cult in the various parts of the city and hoped that it would not be long before every home would have a charkha plying.

IMPORTANCE OF VILLAGE INDUSTRIES.

Later in the evening Messrs. V. L. Mehta and V. V. Jerajani visited the place and addressed the gathering of spinners and others present.

Mr. Mehta sketched in outline the problem of the villages and how a vast unexplored field was open for development. He referred to the coming of the All-India Village Industries Association and its efforts to give a filip to neglected village crafts. He laid stress on the importance of the movement in the regeneration of Indian villages.

Mr. Jerajani spoke about the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition during the Natonal Week at Lad Wadi and Ram Bagh for which arrangements were nearing completion. The exhibition would be the biggest of the kind and no efforts were being spared to provide instruction along with display. "The undertaking is so big that it will require all available workers to make it a success" he said Mr. Jerajani appealed for volunteers, both men and women, who could spare their time and help in the work of the exhibition. Concluding he expressed his appreciation of the work that was being done in Matunga in the direction of spreading the charkha movement and said such demonstrations were of great value and should be organised more often.

One of the spinners who introduced the speakers said that it was the intention of the organisers of the demonstration to mke it a regular monthly feature.

The function came to a close at about 8 p.m.

### At South Indian Association

The usual non-stop twelve-hours sacrificial spinning programme was gone through on Sunday at the premises of the South Indian Association. As most of the members of the charkha section of the Association participated in the mass demonstration at Nappoo Hall, only a couple of charkhas were kept plying at the Association premises in the afternoon.

### "Rollicking Revels" (Carnival)

Mrs. Bapsey Sabavala writes :—

"The numbers that have been drawn for the programme are the following: No. 1,395, No. 2,461, No. 4,772, No. 5,515, No. 6,537.

"Will the owners of these programmes come and take their prizes from Mrs. Bapsey Sabavala's Office, Industrial Assurance Building, opposite Churchgate Station, Fort, between 9-30 a.m. to 12-30 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.?

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BOMBAY: TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 1941.

## A FRIEND'S WARNING

The Standing Committee of the Bombay Conference has been formed and has started work not a day too soon. The Committee has already submitted to the Viceroy the resolution of the Conference and also an explanatory memorandum. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, the President, is also understood to have put himself in communication with Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah to explore the possibility of a fresh approach to the communal problem. It will be better for him to interview each personally and then, if possible, arrange for a conference of the three, so that if there should still be any hitch in the way of even a provisional communal settlement, he may convey to the Viceroy and the public such particulars about the hitch as he may deem expedient in public interests. He has already had an interview with the Commander-in-Chief, presumably on questions of defence under the Bombay resolution. He is expected to see the Viceroy soon but it is desirable that he should previously interview Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah, for the Viceroy is sure to trot out his plea that he can do but little when party leaders themselves do not agree. The Bombay Conference has already answered that plea but its President may as well be posted about the reactions of the principal party leaders to the Conference resolution.

### *No Promise Even*

It is said that the British Government are preparing an elaborate reply to the Bombay resolution to be placed before Parliament a few days hence when it will be called upon under Section 93 of the Government of India Act to continue for another year the present suspension of autonomy in several provinces, considering that under the Act even Parliament can continue the suspension for only three years at the utmost and half this period has already gone, the next Parliamentary review of the Indian problem will have to be more than a formal affair, and even Mr. Amery will have to take it more seriously, as, indeed, all those will have to do who care for friendly relations between India and Britain. In this connection our readers will find something interesting in Mr. Vernon Bartlet's open joint letter to "dear Amery and Nehru", published first in the "News Chronicle" and reproduced in our columns yesterday. Mr. Vernon Bartlet takes a less complacent view of India's war effort and says that "without full Indian co-operation the Commonwealth may quite possibly lose this war". But he also feels sure that India's effort can be considerably better "if we made it clear that this was also India's War". In order to make India feel so, his first and foremost suggestion is "a dated and definite promise for the introduction of Dominion Status". For, he says, "we British have talked about Dominion Status for India for over twenty years, and we still have not granted it, that fact must encourage suspicions". The fact is not merely that Dominion Status is not granted, it is not even definitely promised.

### *Question Of Minorities*

Mr. Bartlet knows Mr. Amery more intimately than we do. So he anticipates his friend's familiar objection regarding the minorities and the Princes. And about the latter he says "they have had generations of security under British protection and few of them have devoted that time to the development and happiness of their people'". As regards minorities he pertinently points out that majorities, too, have their rights. Of special interest is the following remark of Mr. Bartlet: "When I hear officials emphasising or exaggerating the hardships of the minorities in India, I cannot but remember how Hitler did the same about the German minorities in the Sudeterland, and Poland, and Alsace and (before he made Mussolini his ally and lackey) in the Italian Southern Tirol". For our part, we shall only say this at present that those authorities who are eternally urging this question of minorities as a bar to the country's constitutional advance ought, if their fears are honest, at least declare unequivocally that they will accept and implement any constitution agreed to by the accredited representatives of the country as a whole and also of the recognised minorities.

## Duce Ventures Out

Some time ago an observer with first hand and recent knowledge of affairs in Italy was reported in a British paper to have said that Italian battleships camaged at Taranto and elsewhere has now been repaired. He seems to have been right. For, it is presumably because these battleships returned to service that the Italian fleet ventured out of its refuge the other day either on Il Duce's own initiative or under instructions from the Fuhrer. The novel adventure of accepting action has, however, proved disastrous to the Italian Navy, the net result being that it has received the biggest hammering of the present war.

The British victory mighty important as it is, is, indeed, a splendid achievement because it has been won with no loss other than that of a few aircraft. Full details of the engagement in the Ionian Sea are not before us. The Admiralty communique issued on Sunday evening reports that three powerful Italian cruisers and two destroyers are "so far' confirmed to have been sunk. If five warships have been destroyed—the actual figure may later be found to be higher—it is reasonable to expect that a proportionate number has been damaged, among the latter being at least one battleship of the "Littorio" class. The fact that Italy has lost so much of her Navy without weakening the British fleet in the slightest degree is, indeed, a staggering blow to it. Moreover, Mr. A. V. Alexander had hinted the other day that so far as Italian destroyers were concerned there was not much left of them. So that as a consequence of the action in the Ionian sea the Italian Navy has virtually ceased to be of any account even as a potential danger. The influence of this development should be considerable on the war situation not only in the Mediterranean but also elsewhere.

## Russia And Balkans

A few days ago we referred to the rather surprisingly "patriotic" outburst on the part of General Antonescu early last week as regards the cession of Transylvania to Hungary under the Axis Award. And we suggested that it was inspired by the Nazis to blackmail Hungary. No development has since taken place in this connection in Rumania. But the Moscow Radio has, so many days after the incident, suddenly found it of sufficient interest to give it the widest possible publicity. It has also added the comment of a Budapest newspaper on General Antonescu's statement to the effect that "this strange statement has crated a sensation in Budapest." Whatever the importance and possibilities of the incident, the fact that the Moscow radio has taken to broadcasting troubles between two proteges of the Axis is not without significance. Does it mean that the Kremlin is now definitely changing its attitude towards the Axis, or, more correctly, towards Germany? If this is so, the Fuhrer is very soon going to face a grave predicament. In the meantime, however, it must be noted that the report of Russia's congratulations to the present Government of Yugo-Slavia still remains unconfirmed.

*KING-HALL NEWSLETTER*

# Indian Problem: Wanted New Approach

The following are cabled extracts from Stephen King-Hall Newsletter No. 246, dated March 27, 1941.

The situation in India is unsatisfactory and disquieting. From the welter of Indian political affairs two facts emerge: first, the British public does not realise how seriously the position is deteriorating and how bitterness and misunderstanding have developed. Secondly, Indians have failed to realise how far British opinion has moved regarding India's political aspirations especially since the outbreak of the war. The great majority of the people of Britain are anxious to see India achieve full self-Government at the earliest possible moment.

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There have been shortcomings on both sides. Some of the Congress leaders have shown readiness at times to make political capital out of the situation rather than to seek a solution of the problem and an equally disturbing tendency to subordinate the machinery of Government to the dictates of party in a manner uncomfortably like totalitarian practices. On the other side it must be admitted that our administration has been occasionally selfish, sometimes stupid and frequently unimaginative. The result is that, as Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru recently pointed out, the isolation between the Government of India and the people has never been so marked as it is at the present time. The vicious spiral of statement and counter-statement goes on in an already irritated and inflamed atmosphere, and in the meanwhile Congress leaders are afforded the opportunity of appearing as political martyrs in the eyes of their supporters by getting themselves clapped into gaol. A new approach to the situation is urgently required—an approach which must be characterised by understanding, tact and imagination.

The conference of Liberal and Moderate leaders held a fortnight ago in Bombay received less attention than it deserved in the press of this country. This gathering, under the chairmansnip of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, appealed to the Government of India to take new steps to persuade the leaders of the Congress Party and the Muslim League to assume responsibility in the administration, but, if the attempt failed, to bring other men to power who would be prepared to serve in this way. Whether or not the proposals of the Bombay Conference could be accepted fully they do at least point the way to a means of resolving the existing deadlock and of coming to grips with the problem of Indian constitutional reforms.

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Those who know the present Secretary of State for India can have no doubt of his good faith or his genuine desire for a settlement which would commend itself to all reasonable elements in India. We hope, therefore, that he will not hesitate to turn his back upon the misunderstandings and disappointments of the past and make a new start along the lines suggested by the Bombay meeting.

We should like to hear Mr Amery or perhaps the Prime Minister himself tell the people of India that His Majesty's Government does not propose to wait until after the war when the whole constitutional machinery of India can be reconsidered, but proposes to take practical steps now towards the establishment of self-government in India along the following lines:

1. The Viceroy's Executive Council should be reconstituted so that at least the majority would be non-official members.
2. In general the Viceroy should be prepared to accept the advice of his Executive Council in matters of policy as well as in the day-to-day administration.
3. The reconstructed Council should be as representative as possible of Indian opinion. Members of the Congress Party and of the Muslim League should be invited to join along with the representatives of other elements of political opinion but, if they were not prepared to co-operate in this manner, the plan would be put into operation with representatives of those parties which are prepared to participate.

If such a step could be taken and a spirit of confidence and co-operation engendered on both sides, Indians would find that the practice of their advice being accepted by the Viceroy would gradually harden into a sort of constitutional principle which has always been the foundation of responsible government both in Britain and in the Dominions. As this development became apparent, the real spirit and aspirations of the two main parties, the Congress and the Muslim League, would be put to a practical test. If they are really concerned with the achievement of self-Government they would be obliged to recognise the good intentions of Britain and the possibilities of a rapid advance towards complete self-government; if, on the other hand, it should appear that the Congress and/or the Muslim League were more interested in party advantage that fact would become increasingly apparent.

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It was urged that the Secretary of State for India and a small group of British M.Ps. should go out to India "to see things for themselves so that they might come to a definite decision regarding India's future. It is a debatable point whether or not the moment has arrived for Mr. Amery to visit India. What we would like to see is a small group composed largely of men who have had experience of public life, and better still of public office in the Dominions, go out to India at the earliest possible moment. Such a group—which we hope would include at least one woman member—would be especially well-fitted to tell the people of India precisely what Dominion Status means in practice, how it is brought about and what are the duties and privileges attached to it. For instance, Mr. R. B. Bennet, a former Prime Minister of Canada, who is now resident in London would be able to describe the struggle for self-government in Canada, how it was finally introduced by a despatch, how it was finally the instruction from the Colonial Secretary to the Governor that thereafter he was to select advisers who enjoyed the confidence of the Legislative Assembly, and finally how it completed the measure of freedom which the self-governing community of the British Commonwealth to-day enjoys. It might also be helpful if a small group of Indians, as representative as possible of the different and social elements, were invited to visit London and possibly Ottawa, Cape Town and Dublin. If these visits were to be undertaken it would be necessary as a preliminary to release all political prisoners in India and declare a truce in which the Congress Party might be invited to participate pending the outcome of these developments. Communal difficulties, the question of the relation between British India and the Indian States, raising the standard of living of a people which in the last decade has increased by 50 millions, and finally the relationship between Whitehall and the people of India, all contribute to make this one of the thorniest problems which Britain has had to face in the long period of her colonial history, but with patience, goodwill and determination the problem should not be beyond the capacity of Indian leadership and British statesmanship. If it can be solved and a beginning towards that solution undertaken forthwith, this achievement will furnish the best possible example of the British version of the "New Order".

## BRITAIN'S SHIPPING POSITION

### *Swedish Paper's Analysis*

LONDON, March 26.

"Germany must sink more than 10,000,000 tons of shipping in a few months to win the Battle of the Atlantic." This is the conclusion of an article in the Swedish newspaper "Dagens Nybeter", which analyses shipping now at the disposal of Britain. The figures in the article are not all confirmed in detail by British official circles—for example, those for British shipping proper at the outbreak of war appear to be somewhat over-estimated while the figures for formerly neutral and now Allied shipping at the disposal of Britain and for the purchases from the United States are somewhat low—but the general conclusions of the article are valid.

"Since the beginning of the war," declares the article, "the Germans claim to have sunk 9,000,000 tons while the British admit that they have lost 5,000,000. (In actual fact the German claim relates only to British shipping proper while the British figures for losses of British, Allied and neutral tonnages are barely 5,000,000 tons).

"It is doubtful", the article continues, "whether the submarine commander or the aeroplane observer can always see the precise effect of his attack. The British meanwhile do not count damaged vessels even if they are so damaged as to be unusable for a long time.

"At the outbreak of war the British had 18,500,000 tons of shipping plus 3,000,000 tons of Empire shipping plus 1,500,000 newly built plus 500,000 tons purchased from the United States—a total of 23,500,000 tons.

"In addition 4,000,000 tons of Norweigian, 350,000 tons of Danish, 3,500,000 of French, Dutch, Belgian, Greek and neutral shipping totalled 7,500,000 tons. The grand total was over 30,000,000 tons.

"This is almost half the world's total merchant fleet. Whether the British or the German figures are correct, Britain still has at her disposal a bigger merchant fleet than at the outbreak of war—that is remarkable. As regards Britain's needs, she imported about 75,000,000 tons per year before the war, requiring a total of 11,000,000 tons.

"The remainder of Britain's shipping operated for the Empire or foreign countries and constituted a reserve at the outbreak of war. Since the outbreak of war about 2,000,000 tons are still operating on foreign traffic. About 2,000,000 tons consist of vessels too

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## *Our Readers' Views*

### Kanara Catholics In Bombay

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—There is a general feeling, particularly in the younger generation, that politically speaking Kanara Catholics are Indians first and Catholics afterwards and the attainment of self-government by strenuous agitation as a political ideal has ceaselessly appealed to Kanara Catholics. Progressive in outlook, it has always endeavoured in whatever way practicable to contribute its mite towards the cause of national advancement. When occasions arose several of its humble sons have identified themselves with the national movement. Since the days of the historic march of Mahatmaji in 1930, a material change in evidence in Kanara Catholic homes is the dropping of foreign habits of life, the return of "Kodi'ani' and national consciousness in other directions. In these days, towards the promotion and growth of the Nationalist Christian Party, Kanara Catholics have lent themselves in no small measure. Whatever be the preachings in certain quarters on the ethics of Prohibition, from available material one could say without hesitation, that recently prohibition played a considerable part in combating indebtedness and bringing happiness in the homes of Kanara Catholics.

A number of organisations function in the community. Each is designed to serve and is useful in its own way. There is the Kanara Catholic Association—the premier body—, the K.C.A. St. Anthony's League, the K.C.A. Sports Club and the Kanara Konkani Dramatic Association. To cater to the economic needs there exist Co-operative institutions. Credit (the earliest to be established among Catholics in Bombay), Educational (first of its kind in India) and the Garden Homes Society. Besides, the Manglorean Recreation Club (Bandra), Manglorean Catholic Union (Mahim) and Kanara Club (Mazagaon ) are active regional units. From time to time comprehensive welfare schemes have been formulated, and with more coordination and more help by the leaders the schemes will make more headway.—Yours, etc.

IGNATIUS A. S. MARTIS

### Agricultural Department

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The Agricultural Department has to do with the peasants and the landlords. It is therefore, necessary that the officers and others, who have to carry on propaganda work and who come in daily touch with the people, must know the regional languages;

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## Frankly Speaking

### Unpleasant News

The brush between British naval units and French shore batteries and bombers off the coast of Algiers is unpleasant news. Commenting a few days ago on French leaders' visit of inspection to fortifications in Algeria, we wondered if Admiral Darlan was planning a conflict with the British. That fear has come true. The French Vice-Premier is carrying out his threat of convoying French merchantmen in the interests of Germany. It is also clear that the move has been elaborately prepared. Admiral Darlan is, of course, anti-British. But it is a pity that he should indulge his prejudice in the service of those who have enslaved his country, and who will keep it enslaved if they win the war. A report in a British paper suggests that the Admiral is bitten by another bug: he thinks he can beat the British fleet in the Mediterranean. If that is so, the recent action in the Ionean sea ought to make him reconsider the danger to his own navy. Meanwhile, it is undeniable that Admiral Darlan's pro-German—and, therefore, anti-French—activities tend to introduce serious complications into the Battle of the Atlantic, which is already joined with grim ruthlessness.

### A Common Danger

So comprehensive are the tentacles of the Defence of India Act and Rules that only a few can escape them. We can, therefore, congratulate Mr. R. S. Ruikar's rare good fortune in being acquitted by the Sessions Judge who has quashed the sentence of six months' rigorous imprisonment imposed on him by the trying Magistrate. But what is of special significance to the public and in particular to the Press and political workers are some of the Judge's remarks on the abuse of the Defence of India by Magistrates who fail to bring to their task a thoroughly judicial frame of mind. "One of the great dangers of emergency legislation in time of war", says the Judge, "is a tendency to divert it against the ordinary civic liberties of the people." This is a much commoner danger than the Judge suspects, particularly because, as pointed out by himself, "a magistrate may feel that he has to convict and he tends to lose sight of his judicial functions."

### A Sensible View

In the present case the Sessions Judge points out in Mr. Ruikar's speech, alleged to be prejudicial to war effort, "there is hardly a word about war." Merely because Mr. Ruikar called upon the workers to join a mass movement for freedom, the magistrate convicted him. But the Sessions Judge takes a more sensible view and says: "I would emphasize that the demand for mass movement and continued agitation for the freedom of the country cannot be said to amount to a prejudicial act under the Defence of India Ordinance or one which is likely to hinder prosecution of War." However, one cannot be too sure about this emergency law and of Magistrates, many of whom may feel that they have to convict.

### Hindu Marriage Reform

Mr. Govind Deshmukh's Bill, seeking to legalise marriages between Hindus of the same "gotra" or spiritual ancestry, which was introduced in the Central Legislative Assembly last week, is such a sound piece of reform that it might well have been referred to a Select Committee. But Government have always been overcautious in such matters and the super-othodox section in the House, happily dwindling, uniformly opposes every reform indiscriminately. It is, therefort, a mercy that the House agreed to circulate the Bill to elicit public opinion thereon. The merits of the Bill should be obvious to all persons viewing it rationally. Centuries ago members of one "gotra" were only a few and marriage between them was naturally prohibited as being in-breeding and eugenically harmful. But now persons of the same "gotra" number millions and the various groups therein are strikingly different from each other in a variety of ways. And to prohibit marriage within a "gotra" on the ground that it encourages in-breeding is palpably absurd. The restriction does not prevail among the Sudras and many in the higher castes evade it through a nominal adoption of the bride by a person with a different "gotra". It is better from every point of view to remove the irrational restriction than to have recourse to such subterfuges. We trust reformers will actively canvass public opinion for Mr. Deshmukh's Bill so as to enable it to become law at an early date.

## TETE-A-TETE

### WITHOUT COMMENT.

*NEW DELHI, March 31.*

*A lengthy adjournment motion tabled by Mr. Kazmi was disallowed by the President. Mr. Kazmi sought to raise a discussion on the Government of India's "failure" to fulfil their undertaking in the matter of controlling Provincial Governments in the enforcement of the Defence of India Act and Rules, and consequent "misuse" of powers by the Provincial Governments exemplified in the arrest and detention of Mr. Triloknath Singh, Chairman, District Board, Lucknow, who had made a strong, protest against the "undue interest" shown by the District authorities in the no-confidence motion against the Chairman, as reported in a Delhi paper.*

*The President observed that the assurance did not go so far as to say that the Government of India would exercise supervision over the way in which the Defence of India Act was administered by local Governments. There was no such assurance. The motion was, therefore, disallowed.*
*—A. P. I.*

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The position of the Muslims with regard to the Pakistan scheme has been made crystal clear.

—Mr. M. A. Jinnah.

So clear, indeed, that every "sole authoritative" gazer into the crystal sees a different picture and every picture changes at subsequent gazings.

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The Conference in London, at which Sir Hussan Suhrawardy spoke on the democratic spirit of Islam, was attended by the Saudi Arabian Ministers and Councillors of the Turkish, Egyptian and Iraqian Ministers.

The Junior Colleague has reasons to believe, however, that the Qaid-e-Azam was not represented either by proxy or by message.

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Mr. Attlee forsees a New World in which war would be abolished and the shameful blot of poverty in the midst of plenty would be removed.

Great, quite great. But what about Asiatic and African Dependencies in the midst of European Independencies?

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Do you know what the great news of the day is? The Italian naval disaster or Admiral Darlan's offensive? Certainly not.

The great news is that the Moscow radio has not yet contradicted the report of Soviet greetings to the Simovitch regime as "not in accordance with facts".

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British forces in Malaya have just been reinforced by more Indian regiments and, for the first time since the war, by units of the British army and the R. A. F from Britain herself.

Which is all quite interesting exciting, thrilling and all that.

But is it chivalrous and honourable? Is not M. Matsuoka already receiving shocks in Europe dealt by General Simovitch, General Wavell and Admiral Cunningham?

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According to the Moscow radio, residents in Japan will shortly have to surrender all gold objects in their possessions.

After which they will, in due course be obliged to surrender of all golden objections in the possession of their rulers' imperialistic dreams.

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"Is MUSSOLINI DEAD?, asks a headline.

Certainly not. His task is not yet completed. He has still so many Italian warships and so much of Italy's Empire both in Africa and Albania left to be disposed of.

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According to Berlin and Rome reports German and Italian residents are leaving Yugo-Slavian.

But the Yugo-Slavs, instead of shedding tears, are only celebrating British naval victories.

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Armed American guards have been placed on 28 Italian and 2 German ships in U. S. A. harbours.

Il Duce ought immediately to declare war on America.

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The painter was visiting the house of his only patron.

"Oh, by the way" said the host, "did you hear about the burglary here the other night?"

"No. Did they get much?"

"A couple of clocks, some silver, and—you know that picture I've just bought from you? They cut it out of its frame and—"

"Did they?" cried the delighted artist. "My fortune's made! This is just the advertisement I've been wanting for years!"

"And went off with the frame!" continued his patron.

# Plight Of Indian Students In Germany

## Central Govt. Refuses Permission For Remittance

CALCUTTA, March 30.

The Additional Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the External Affairs Department has informed the University of Calcutta that no remittance to students for continuing their studies in Germany will be permitted and consequently no more remittance of scholarship money could be permitted to Mr. Bhabesh Chandra Bhaduri, a Radhikamchon Scholar of the University now in Germany.

Previously the Government of India agreed that remittance of Rs. 500 quarterly might be sent to Mr. Bhaduri and as regards procedure to be followed in transmitting the amount, requested that the matter might be referred to the Controller of Enemy Trading in India. On the suggestion of the Controller of Enemy Trading, the Netherlands Bank, Calcutta, agreed to forward the remittances through their Bank. But subsequently it could not. On a later date and at the suggestion of the Controller Enemy Trading, the American Banks of Calcutta were approached, but they refused to send any remittance to Germany. One instalment of Rs 500 is still due to Mr. Bhaduri.

After this, the Additional Secretary to the Government of India wrote another letter to the University enquiring about the repatriation of Mr. Bhaduri. The University has been asked to furnish with a guarantee that the expenditure incurred on his repatriation or maintenance pending repatriation will be repaid in India.

The University authorities are making enquiries of the relations of Mr. Bhaduri about standing guarantee for repaying the amount that would be required for repatriating Mr. Bhaduri and have requested the Government of India to intimate the University as to the probable amount that will be necessary for this purpose. —United Press.

# Matsuoka In Rome

ROME, March 31.

Mr. Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister, who arrived here to-day by a special train was met at the station by Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, and other members of the Italian Government, Secretary of the Fascist Party and the German Ambassador.—Reuter.

### IN PROTECTIVE CUSTODY OF U. S.

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tion in seizing German, Italian and Danish ships at a Press Conference to-day. He said that he would not talk at present about the final disposition of the ships. He had not heard anyone question the absolute legality of the seizure and emphasised that the justification for it was based on the fact that attempted sabotage in the ships endangered American ports. Asked whether the seizure could be construed as a step towards war, Mr. Hull replied that the United States Government had for sometime pursued a course of aid to Britain and other nations under the formula of all available aid short of war. "That is the formula followed so far," he added.

A Rio de Janeiro message states: Rumours are strengthening that Axis ships are gathering in the mid-ocean for convoy under the protection of German battle-cruisers. These coincide with the sailing of the Italian freighters 'Franco Martelli' from Recefe (Brazil) and "Friso" from Fortaleza (Brazil) 24 hours after the departure of the German steamer "Dresden" from Santos. The vessels in clearing at the Brazilian ports on Sunday gave Oslo as their destination. 'Franco Martelli' is a tanker recently released from embargo when Italian financiers at Sanpaulo forwarded funds to pay her debts.—Reuter.

### Four Danish Ships In Philippine Waters

MANILA, March 31

Four Danish ships in the Philippine waters aggregating 23,800 tons have been taken into "protective custody" by the United States Navy.

Admiral Hart, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Asiatic Fleet, explained that the action was taken in order to prevent sabotage by the crews.—Reuter

### *U. S. May Take Action Against French Ships*

WASHINGTON, March 31.

Well-informed circles here think that there is a strong possibility that following the seizure of Italian, German and Danish ships, the United States will take the same action in regard to French ships of which there are now 15 in American ports. Replying to questions, treasury officials intimated that action was possible later this week. Officials are now studying the final disposal of the seized ships which will at present remain in "protective custody", the title still remaining with the original owners. According to treasury officials it is very probable that the ships will be placed in service in view of Britain's need of ships and general shortage of shipping.—Reuter.

### TWO MORE ITALIAN CRUISERS SUNK

LONDON, March 31.

AN ADMIRALTY OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAYS 'THAT IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE SIX-INCH GUN CRUISER "GEOVANNI DELLE BANDE" AND ALSO ONE DESTROYER HAVE BEEN SUNK, ONE THOUSAND ITALIAN SURVIVORS HAVE BEEN RESCUED.

The Admiralty adds that two or three hundred more might have been saved but for bomb attacks by German planes on rescue vessels. The two junkers divebombers were shot down during daylight operations.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean has signalled to the Italian Naval Staff Chief, indicating the position of survivors and suggesting the despatch of a hospital ship. A reply was received, and hence it is possible that some of the men will be rescued.

Admiral Cantoni commanding the Italian 8" gun cruiser squadron is missing. Captain Despisi of the Italian cruiser "Fola" is among those saved.

Two of our aircraft are missing.

RECONNAISSANCE RESULT

Air reconnaissance on March 27 reported a force of enemy warships eastward of Cape Passero in Sicily, and speeding east. On the morning of March 28, our light forces sighted one Littorio class battleship accompanied by cruisers south-west of Crete, where air reconnaissance reported two battleships, cruisers and destroyers, to the north of this position. After being sighted the enemy gradually hauled round to west-ward proceeding at high speed.

The Italian cruiser "Giovanni Delle Bande Nere" was of the Condottier class "A" type. This type originally consisted of four ships one of which (the "Bartolomeo Colleoni) was sunk by the Australian cruiser Sydney last July.

Earlier this month an Admiralty Communique stated that another cruiser of this class and type had been "torpedoed and almost certainly sunk by one of our submarines." Since then only one of the original four cruisers would appear to be surviving.

GERMAN OFFICERS AMONG SURVIVORS.

Among the survivors from the Italian cruisers and destroyer sunk in the Mediterranean are 35 German officers, petty officers and gunners, according to an Athens telegram received by London newspapers.—Reuter.

### "Warspite" Lead

LONDON, March 31.

The leading ship of the British battle fleet taking part in the Eastern Mediterranean action is the "Warspite", which opened fire with her fifteen-inch guns from a distance just under two miles. H. M. S. "Garham" and "Valiant" also accompanied the "Warspite."—Reuter.

### Itay Admits Loss Of Five

An Italian official Communique today admits the loss of three cruisers and two destroyers.—Reuter.

### "Vittorio Veneto" Damaged

ALEXANDRIA, March 31.

The enemy battleship damaged in the Mediterranean battle was the thirty-five thousand ton 'Vittorio Veneto' of the Littorio class, states the captain of the sunk Italian cruiser 'Pola.'—Reuter.

# To Counteract Pakistan!

## Sind Premier To Preside Over Anti-Separation Conference

MADRAS, March 31.

Khan Bahadur Allah Baksh, Premier of Sind, has agreed to preside over the Anti-Separation Conference to be held at Kumbakonam in the second week of April, according to a communication from the General Secretary of the Conference, Mr. S. A. Rahim.

As already reported, the Conference is being convened by nationalistic-minded Muslims of South India with a view to opposing any scheme of partitioning India.—A. P.

### Jinnah On Muslim League And Its Mission

CAWNPORE, March 31.

Replying to an address presented by the Cawnpore Municipal Board this morning Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the Muslim League, said that the political situation in India presented a problem which had no parallel in the history of the world. He added that it was the desire of everyone that there should be complete concord between Hindus and Muslims, though there might be difference in the methods of its achievement.

Replying to an address presented by the District Board Mr. Jinnah said that the Muslim League had no sinister motives against the Hindus. He desired every community to "face facts and realities". The District Board, he added, provided many opportunities for sincere workers to further the rural uplift work.

Mr. Jinnah left for Bombay at 11-30 a.m. by the G.I.P. Mail.—A. P.

### *Jinnah's Assurance To Muslim Railway Employees*

LUCKNOW, March 31.

A deputation of the East Indian Railway Muslim Employees' Association waited on Mr. M. A. Jinnah, yesterday, at Cawnpore to represent their difficulties in regard to service.

Replying Mr. Jinnah stated that the League Party had been fighting for these demands. Recently he had sent a memorandum on the subject to the Viceroy, who had replied that the matter would receive his consideration. Counselling patience, Mr. Jinnah concluded "I am waiting to see what the Government does, and I assure you we will see you through to the end".

Mr. Mubashir Husain Kidwai, on behalf of the deputation assured Mr. Jinnah that they would look after the interests of Muslim Employees and present a united front to combat all opposition.—A. P.

### Sentence Reduced In Appeal

POONA, March 31

On the appeal filed by Mr. S. L. Karandikar, M.L.A. Bombay in the Sessions Court, Poona on his conviction and sentence by the Additional City Magistrate, Poona, to one year's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 500 in default to six months' further rigorous imprisonment, the Sessions Judge today reduced the sentence to one year's simple imprisonment, and a fine of Rs. 200, in default to undergo three months' further simple imprisonment.

Mr. Karandikar, it is recalled, was arrested in January last under the Defence of India Rules for a speech alleged to have been delivered by him at Saniwarwada.—A. P.

### Poona Convictions

POONA, March 31

Messrs. Gore and Saraswate, who offered Satyagraha this morning at Poona and Deshpande who offered Satyagraha at Bhaje yesterday were tried today by the Additional District Magistrate, Poona who convicted and sentenced them each to three months' simple imprisonment.—A. P.

### Arrest At Amritsar

AMRITSAR, March 31

Pandit Amar Nath Vidyalankar, General Secretary of the District Congress Committee (urban), was arrested this morning for offering Satyagraha.—A. P.

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CALCUTTA.—It is understood that the Bengal Government have decided to extend the term of appointment of Mr. J. C. Mukerji as Chief Executive Officer of the Calcutta Corporaion for a period of one year.

It is understood that Khan Bahadur Syed Bashiruddin, District and Sessions Judge of Patna has been appointed a member of the Joint Public Service Commission for Bihar, Orissa and Central Provinces.

# 30,000 Monthly Casualties Due To Frost Bite

## *Italians Give Up Idea Of Maintaining Initiative On Greek Front*

ATHENS, March 31.

Greek artillery have carried out successful bombardments of enemy troops and fortifications, while a squadron of Greek bombers attacking the Italian rear, hit an enemy supply and munitions depot, stated the official spokesman.

In the bombing raid explosions were caused, he said, and fires were observed long after the bombardment.

The Italians are continuing their defensive preparations, according to prisoners, said the spokesman, adding that this indicated that they had given up the idea of maintaining the initiative.

**As many as 30,000 casualties have resulted in the Italian army monthly owing to the high percentage of illness, especially frost bite, it was reported by prisoners, he added.**

A Greek High Command communique mentions only successful patrol and artillery actions. Prisoners and automatic weapons were captured. All Greek aircraft returned from successfully bombing and machine-gunning the Italian forces.—Reuter.

### *RECALL OF MINISTER FROM BERLIN*

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his country at the present critical moment.

On the other hand, German-language papers stress alleged anti-German and anti-Italian incidents in Jugoslavia.

BELGRADE MINISTER CALLED TO REPORT.

**A Berne message received here says that according to the newspaper 'La Suisse', the Jugoslav Minister in Germany has left Berlin for Belgrade to inform the new Government of the effect produced in Germany by the recent Jugoslav events.—Reuter.**

### Rumania Cuts Off Oil Deliveries

BERLIN: Rumania has suspended oil deliveries to Yugoslavia since Saturday, according to an official German news agency report from Bucharest.

### Belgrade Takes Precautions

BELGRADE: Extra military classes have been called up as a precautionary measure.

It is stated that most Germans and Italians will have left by Tuesday.—Reuter.

### Germans And Italians Quit Country

LONDON, March 31.

The German radio on Sunday night reported that the frontier between Yugoslavia and Styria (Australia) had been closed by the Yugoslav authorities.

The Reich Germans living in Croatia have been asked to leave the country, says a Zagreb despatch to the Official German News Agency.

The first special train with 800 Germans left this evening; another train leaves early to-morrow morning.

Not only Italian journalists but Italians generallly are beginning to leave Yugoslavia according to the latest reports from Rome, adds the German Agency.

### *Siege Report Denied*

Reports from Budapest that a state of siege has been declared in Yugoslavia are emphatically denied in a despatch direct from Belgrade to the Vichy News Agency. Perfect calm is said to reign all over the country.—Reuter.

### Minister At Berlin Called To Report

VICHY: The Yugoslav Minister in Berlin, M. Amtritch, has gone to Belgrade to inform his Government of "the effect which events in Yugoslavia have produced in Germany",

This is announced in a Berne dispatch to the official French News Agency quoting 'La Suisse'.

### Talks At Ankara

The Yugoslav Minister in Moscow M. Gabrilovitch has gone to Ankara, according to a Budapest dispatch quoting the newspaper 'Maynap', "M. Gabrilovitch is carrying on very important conversations with the Turkish Foreign Minister Sarajoglu" the newspaper adds. "There is no doubt that he is personally best informed of the views of Kremlin and Ankara".—Reuter.

### ENEMY TANKERS SUNK BY BR. AIR FORCE

LONDON, March 31.—Two tankers were sunk by the British air force, off Le Havre, this morning Monday.—Reuter.

### PIGEON FLIGHT IN BOMBAY

#### Governor's Appeal For Purchase Of Souvenirs

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay has addressed the following letter to Vice-Admiral Herbert Fitz Herbert, C. B., C. M. G., Flag Officer Commanding, Royal Indian Navy:—

I am very glad to hear of your novel idea of "Pigeon Flight" in order to swell the War Funds.

It is really an excellent scheme, and I take this opportunity to express the hope that the public of Bombay, which has shown its loyalty and generosity in more ways than can be enumerated here, will not be wanting in its support of the efforts of the feathered friends of our cause.

**The above message will be flown by the pigeons.**

I, therefore, appeal to the public to buy the souvenirs carried by the pigeons and thus help the Naval War Purposes Fund.

(Sd.) ROGER LUMLEY,
Governor of Bombay.

### *LONDON FREE OF RAIDS ON SUNDAY*

LONDON, March 31.

Although London had a very brief alert during the early hours of the morning, no gunfire or bombs were heard so that for the tenth night the capital was virtually undisturbed. Enemy air activity over the rest of the country was small, states an Air Ministry Communique.

A few coastal attacks by single machines were reported. Bombs were dropped at scattered points in eastern England and in the east and south-east Scotland, but there was little damage and no casualties are reported.—Reuter.

### *BORDEAUX HEAVILY BOMBED*

LONDON, March 31.

The two enemy warships "Schornhorst" and "Gneisenau" are known to be sheltering in Bordeaux, which harbour bore the weight of the R. A. F. attack last night.

An Air Ministry Communique says this attack was carried out by a powerful force of aircraft of the Bomber Command. Direct hits on the ships were not observed but the docks on which they were lying were straddled from all directions by medium, large and very large bombs. Many more of these fell on the quayside and bursts were seen all over the dock area. Fires broke out soon afterwards and were burning well when the last of the aircraft left.

A smaller force of the same command bombed the harbour at Calais and started many fires. from these operations none of our aircraft are missing.—Reuter.

### *Lightning Sweep Across Channel*

LONDON, March 31

Another lightning daylight sweep across the Channel and over French occupied ports is believed to have been made by a formation of R.A.F. bombers and fighters this afternoon.

The heavy crump of falling bombs was clearly heard on the English side of the Channel.—Reuter.

### *R.A.F. RAID ON TRIPOLI*

CAIRO, March 31

Another heavy R.A.F. raid on Tripoli and continuance of R.A.F. support of army operations in Abyssinia and elsewhere are features of the R.A.F. Communique today. There were no casualties. From all the above operations, all British aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

### *R.A.F. Busy In Albania*

ATHENS, March 31.

British bombers attacked objectives in and near Elbasan, the Italian inland base in Albania lying midway between their front near the Jugoslav frontier and the port of Durazzo, with successful results, states to-day's British R. A. F. Communique in Greece.

"Enemy fighters," continues the Communique, "broke off the attempt to intercept when one of them was hit a number of times and dived vertically emitting black smoke.

Offensive reconnaissance flights were carried out in the Tepelini area also with good results.

All the British machines returned safely from all these operations."—Reuter.

### Fire In Piccadilly Bath Club

LONDON, March 31

A famous bath club in Piccadilly was severely damaged by a fire, which broke out in the gymnasium early today. All the guests numbering ten, and fifteen members of the staff were saved except one R.A.F. Officer, who was suffocated in a third floor room before firemen could reach him.

Two guests were brought down by the fire escape.—Reuter.

### *BOMBAY EXPRESS DELAYED*

PESHAWAR, March 31

The 56 Down Bombay Express was delayed by two hours owing to the derailment of shunting engine in the yard of the Peshawar Cantonment Railway Station this evening. The stock of Landikotal train and some other bogies were got together and made into a substitute train which left for Bombay.—A. P.

*CHALLENGE TO FR. BOATS IGNORED*

# Units Carrying Cargo Of Rubber Fire On British Forces

## Strange Reflection On French Policy: London Surprised

LONDON, March 31.

It was revealed in London on Sunday night that at least one of the four French ships challenged by British naval units in the Mediterranean was carrying a cargo of rubber and Germany is very short of rubber.

It is stated in authoritative circles that at least one of these ships sailed from Bangkok with rubber which would inevitably find its way across the Rhine.

Britain, it is stated, has always fully maintained her rights under international law to search ships suspected of carrying contraband destined for Germany, and it has long been notorious that French merchantmen have been carrying to French metropolitan ports various materials, a high proportion of which immediately was appropriated by Germany.

It is considered here a strange reflection on French policy that she should fire on British forces at the very time when the British navy is engaged in destroying warships of France's enemy, Italy.

Moreover, the French action, as seen in London, appears particularly untimely when Britain has indicated her willingness to abrogate her international right to the extent of allowing the passage of certain foodstuffs in order to relieve sufferings in unoccupied France caused by German rapacity.—Reuter.

### FR. VERSION OF ANGLO-FRENCH INCIDENT

VICHY, March 30.

The French version of the Anglo-French convoy incident says: "A considerable British naval force attacked at 09/00 this (Sunday) morning, in French territorial waters between Nemouras and Oran, a convoy of four French Merchantships, bound from Casablanca to Oran, under the escort of a single French destroyer. The convoy took shelter in the port of Nemouras, under the protection of its escort, naval shore batteries and aircraft. The convoy is safe and unharmed".—Reuter.

### *VICHY TO PROTEST TO BRITAIN*

VICHY, March 31

A note of protest against the action of British warships on the French Convoy will be sent to London through Washington. it is announced.—Reuter.

### *DARLAN PLAYING NAZI GAME*

LONDON, March 31.

The Free French newspaper "France" published in London writes: "Frenchmen will realise, despite the efforts of the Vichy Radio, that Admiral Darlan is playing the Germans' game. He is pushing collaboration with the Reich to as extreme limits as M. Laval would have done. If Admiral Darlan is tied to Berlin, the French nation repudiates this outrageous attitude and remains faithful to their alliance with Britain, who is fighting for victory over the common enemy".—Reuter.

### *AMERICAN POLICY TOWARDS VICHY*

WASHINGTON, March 31.

American policy towards unoccupied France may be affected when the full official details are studied of the French use of gunfire to protect German war material traversing the Straits of Gibraltar.

Hitherto the State Department's attitude has been that so long as Vichy does not allow itself to become a mere tool of Berlin, America will afford such assistance to the French people as does not weaken the British blockade.

Should Vichy play the German game, however, the U. S. Government, which is determined to see Britain victorious over Germany, will be obliged to consider Vichy as unfriendly to America's cause and revise her policy accordingly. —Reuter.

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# Sensation In Budapest

## Antonescu's Alleged Outburst On Issue Of Transylvania

LONDON, March 30.

"Rumania can never reconcile herself to the situation which has been created and will be forced to request Berlin and Rome to reconsider the Transylvanian question."

This statement, attributed to Hungarian journalistic circles and quoted by the Moscow radio, is said to have been made by General Antonescu in an interview to pressmen in Bucharest.

"Until this question is settled, there can be no tranquillity in this part of Europe," he is reported to have added.

The Moscow announcer added that a Budapest newspaper made the comment that "this strange statement has created a sensation in Budapest."—Reuter.

# AMBASSADOR AT ROME RETURNS

## Report To Japanese Premier On Italian Situation

TOKYO, March 31.

Mr. Eiji Amou, retiring Japanese Ambassador to Rome, who returned to Japan recently called on the Prime Minister, Prince Konoye, this morning.

He reported to Prince Konoye on the Italian situation but no indication was given of the substance of his report.—Reuter.

### Battle Practice In South England

LONDON, March 31.

Forty thousand of Britain's finest troops took part in a four day practice battle in southern England.

Moving mostly in darkness one battalion covered 66Z and another 90 miles. Features of the battle were concealment of troops and landing of parachutists at remarkable speed, laden with weapons and equipment. Telephone wires were cut and explosions rang out. Three parachutists knocked out an officer and stole a car to assist in the task of establishing road blocks. In the final phase tanks roared over the countryside. The battle provided a convincing test of fitness, endurance and efficiency.—Reuter.

## STOP PRESS

### FORMER GOVERNOR OF BURMA DEAD

LONDON, March 31.

The death occurred of Sir Harvey Adamson who was Lt. Governor of Burma 1910-15.—Reuter.

### *U.S. Ships For Br. Register*

NEW YORK, March 31.

Between 120 and 140 American vessels are soon to be transferred to British registry from the United States coastal trade routes, says the "Journal of Commerce" quoting authoritative sources in Washington.—Reuter.

LONDON, March 31.

R.A.F. fighter pilots and anti-aircraft defence units destroyed enemy aircraft at an average rate of fifty per month since Jan. 1 over and around Britain. The total "bag" on the first quarter of 1941 was 155. The Fighter Command losses for the first quarter of the year were 41 aircraft, states the Air Ministry News Service.—Reuter.

# Khudai Khidmatgars Continue Satyagraha

## Mahatma Instructs Suspension In Bengal Communal Tension Areas

**BANNU, March 31.**

**Satyagraha by Khudai Khidmatgars continues. Five Satyagrahis visited a number of villages on March 29 raising anti-war slogans and delivering anti-war speeches.—A. P.**

### *Suspension Of Satyagraha*

**CALCUTTA, March 31.**

**The "United Press" learns that the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee drew Gandhiji's attention to the communal tension prevailing in different parts of Bengal and its possible repercussions on the Satyagraha movement.**

### *Mahatma's Instructions*

**In consultation with the B.P.C.C., Mahatma Gandhi allowed them for the time being to suspend Satyagraha in the affected areas and accordingly the Dacca District Congress Committee has been instructed by the B.P.C.C. to suspend Satyagraha in Dacca.—United Press.**

### Satyagraha Suspended In Dacca District

CALCUTTA, March 31

The Dacca District Congress Committee has been instructed by the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee to suspend Satyagraha in the district.—A. P.

### *WOMAN WORKER TO OFFER SATYAGRAHA*

### *3 Congress Workers To Court Arrest To-day*

BOMBAY, Monday.

Miss Pankumari Thackersey Shah, a Congress worker from Cutch, Mr. Girdharlal Bapulal Kapadia, a local Congress worker, and Mr. Harilal Madhavji Raval, a Congressman from Rangoon gave intimation to the Commissioner of Police to-day of their intention to offer Satyagraha in Bombay on Tuesday evening.

This is the first time that the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee has included in the list of Satyagrahis a woman worker from an Indian State. Miss Pankumari who was anxious to offer Satyagraha in Bombay, sought the special permission of Mahatma Gandhi.

Miss Pankumari proposes to shout anti-war slogans at Narsi Natha Road, Kharek Bazar, at 6 p. m. on Tuesday. Mr. Kapadia intends offering Satyagraha near the Gaya Building, Masjid Bunder Street at 2 p. m. Mr. Raval proposes to offer Satyagraha at Masjid Bunder Street at 6 p. m.

### *Palghar Congressman Sentenced To Six Months' S. I.*

(From Our Correspondent)

THANA, March 29.

Vithoba Hari Pagdhare, a Congress worker of Satpati Taluka, Palghar who had offered "Satyagraha" on 28th was tried to-day by the Additional District Magistrate, Thana for an offence under Rule 38 (1) 5 of the Defence of India Rules and convicted thereunder. He was sentenced to six months S. I. and has been given "C" class.

### CONGRESS CITY FATHERS RESIGN

COONOOR, March 30.

Three Congress members of the Coonoor Municipal Council have resigned their seats in accordance with the directions of the Provincial Congress Committee.—A. P.

### Six Congressmen Jailed

MADRAS, March 31.

Six Congressmen were convicted to-day by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, under the Defence of India Rules.

They were sentenced to fifteen days' rigorous imprisonment each for shouting anti-war slogans in different parts of the city.

### Arrested In Court Room

CALCUTTA, March 31.

About half a dozen persons were arrested to-day for shouting objectionable slogans in the Court room of the Election Tribunal, presided over by Mr. Justice Roxburgh.—A. P.

### Convictions In Assam

CALCUTTA, March 31.

The following persons have been convicted in connection with the Satyagraha movement at Sibsagar (Assam):—

Ahmendra Hazarika, Golak Borthakur, Nalini Kumr Bhuyan and Binanda Chandra Bora—two months' R.I. each.

At Monghyr (Bihar) Pundit Suresh Chandra Misra, a former member of the All-India Congress Committee eighteen months' R. I. and a fine of Rs . 300 in default further imprisonment for three months.—A. P.

### Marchers Arrested

WARDHAGANJ, March 31.

Dr. Pachgare of Asjti and Daulatrao of Vadaia in Arvi Taluk, two Satyagrahis 'en route' to Delhi were arrested at Hoshangabad and brought to Wardha Jail this evening.

Chawdasbhau of Nalwadi Ashram was released after having been detained in Wardha Jail.

### Convictions In Punjab

LAHORE, March 31,

Following convictions are reported in connection with Congress Satyagraha:—

LYALLPUR:—Tirlochan Singh sentenced to four months' R. I., Martar Singh to six months and Bhag Singh to four months.

AMBALA:—Khairati Ram, Narata Ram, Kartaram and Kadar Nath, one year's rigorous imprisonment each.

GURDASPUR:—Billa Ram to nine months and fine of Rs. 100 Tarlok Singh one year and a fine of Rs. 200; Balwant Singh six months and fine of Rs. 300.

KAMALIA:—Satish Kumar to fifteen months' imprisonment.

PANIPAT:—Kishor Chand to eight months' imprisonment.

HISAR:—Mussadi Mal to nine months and fine of Rs. 50; Kirpa Ram to nine months' imprisonment.

ROHTAK:—Siri Ram one year; Kanayalal and Chandar Bhan, to nine months and fine of Rs. 50 each; Mani Ram to one year's imprisonment.

Charan Singh and Tekchand to nine months and fine of Rs. 50 each, Giani Ram and Roopchand to one year's imprisonment each.—A. P.

# Indo-Burma Trade

## Agreement Reached Between Delegations On Terms

NEW DELHI, March 31

At a meeting held on March 31 between India and Burma delegations the proposed terms for a new trade agreement were accepted in principle by both sides, states a Note.

It is expected that details will be settled and an agreement will be signed within next few days. In the meantime both the countries intended to maintain in operation the existing position in all matters covered by a trade regulation order which expired today.—United Press.

As at present arranged, the Burma delegation propose to leave Delhi on the morning of April 4 for Rangoon.

The Government of India Delegation will entertain the Burma representatives at an official dinner on Wednesday—A. P.

### EMERGENCY COMMISSION

### Not Given To Indian Warrant Officers, Admits Mr. Ogilvie

**NEW DELHI, March 31.**

**No Indian warrant officer had been granted an emergency commission in the Indian Army Ordnance Corps, though eight had been selected and were now under training, said Mr. Ogilvie, Defence Secretary, in reply to Mr. A. N. Chattopadhyaya.**

The Defence Secretary informed the same member that the question of granting emergency commissions in the Indian Medical Service to selected assistant surgeons in the Indian Medical Department, was being considered and he hoped to be able to make an announcement on the subject shortly.

The Defence Secretary stated in reply to the same member's question that mails posted in India up to the first week in February had been delivered to Egypt and the Sudan.—A. P.

# Galleries Cleared In Bengal Council

## SEQUEL TO MEMBER READING BANNED STATEMENT ON DACCA RIOTS

**CALCUTTA, March 31.**

**The press and public galleries were ordered to be cleared by the President when Mr. Sachindra Narayan Sanyal, moving the adjournment motion in the Bengal Council to-day relating to the publication of any news about the communal disturbances in the province unless passed by the Press Adviser, was referring to a statement issued by Dr. Shyama Prosad Mookerji who had been to Dacca during the communal disturbances there.**

The Hon. Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy took objection to the statement being read out in the House as its publication had been banned.

The President ruled that he could not stop Mr. Sanyal from referring to Dr. Mookerji's statement but if the Government felt that it should not go out to the public he could under rules clear the galleries.

The Hon. Sir Bijoy Prosad Singh Roy, Leader of the House, stated that the situation in Dacca had been returning to normal and the Government took a serious view of anything being published which might lead to the deterioration of the situation.

The President, thereupon asked the galleries to be cleared.

The adjournment motion which was debated for nearly three hours was negatived by the House without a division.—United Press.

# "For Purposes Of India"

## Important Legal Point Raised In Bengal Assembly

CALCUTTA, March 31

Following a debate lasting two hours the Bengal Legislative Assembly this morning sanctioned by 130 votes to 47 the Bengal Government's supplementary demand for a token grant of Re. 1 to enable the Government to pay one lakh of rupees to the Calcutta Mayor's fund for the relief of London air-raid victims. The demand was placed before the House by the Chief Minister, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq. The money is proposed to be paid in the current year out of the saving under the head "miscellaneous".

An opposition cut-motion moved by Mr. Sasanka Sekhar Sanyal, the Chief Whip of the Congress party to discuss the principle underlying the proposal, was rejected by 121 to 41 votes.

"FOR PURPOSES OF INDIA"

The Opposition also raised a point of order maintaining that the contribution could not be made under Section 150 of the Government of India Act and that the money could not be said to be "for the purposes of India or some part of India" as was laid down in the above-mentioned section.

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, Leader of the Opposition, said that Section 150 of the Government of India Act laid a territorial restriction on the powers of the province in respect of imposing any burden on the revenues of the federation or of the provinces. He maintained that so far as the present demand was concerned, it was entirely out of order under Section 150.

The Chief Minister pointed out that legal opinion received by the Government showed that the grant could be made under the Government of India Act.

INTERNATIONAL COURTESY.

The Hon'ble the Speaker (Sir M. Azizul Huq) pointed out that it was a well-known international custom to send relief. Supposing India was affected by a severe famine, as a matter of courtesy she would get relief from others. "Are we to be debarred from sending relief to others under similar circumstances?"

Concluding the Speaker said that the whole principle behind the Government of India act was provincial autonomy in financial matters and if autonomy meant that we could do everything but extend international courtesy then the section had been rather badly drafted. "But, as I say, I do not hold that this section is such as to preclude an item of this nature —unless a court declares otherwise."—A. P.

### CHIEF WHIP REMANDED

LAHORE, March 31.

Seth Sudarshan, Chief Whip of the Assembly Congress Party, who was to offer Satyagraha this afternoon at Bradlaugh Hall by shouting anti-war slogans was arrested this morning at his residence under the Defence of India Rules and remanded to custody till tomorrow.—United Press.

### *353 ARRESTS IN DACCA*

DACCA, March 31.

The situation continues to be quiet, and shops opened this morning in many quarters of the city. The Dacca University also opened to-day, but other educational institutions still remain closed.

The total number of arrests made in connection with the riot so far is 353.—A. P.

# Insurance Amending Bill Passed

## ADJOURNMENT MOTION ON DEFENCE RULES' ENFORCEMENT DISALLOWED

**NEW DELHI, March 31.**

**A lengthy adjournment motion tabled by Mr. Kazmi was disallowed by the President.**

**Mr. Kazmi sought to raise a discussion on the Government of India's "failure" to fulfil their undertaking in the matter of controlling Provincial Governments in the enforcement of the Defence of India Act and Rules, and consequent "misuse" of powers by the Provincial Governments exemplified in the arrest and detention of Mr. Triloknath Singh, Chairman, District Board, Lucknow who had made a strong protest against the "undue interest" shown by the district authorities in the non-confidence motion against the Chairman, as reported in the "Hindustan Times," Delhi.**

In reply to the President's questions, Mr. Kazmi indicated that beyond what had appeared in the newspaper, he had seen copies of certain letters written by the Chairman himself, who, Mr. Kazmi added, had not been engaged in any political activities.

As regards the assurance mentioned by him, Mr. Kazmi said that the Leader of the House declared in September 1939 during discussion on the Defence of India Bills that the Government of India endorsed the words of Mr. Churchill about popular rights and liberties.

INSURANCE ACT AMENDING BILL.

In the Assembly this morning in the course of discussion which was resumed on the clauses of the Insurance Act Amendment Bill, Congress Nationalists gained a point on which they laid great stress, namely, that the powers of the Superintendent of Insurance are too exhaustive under the act and should to some extent be curtailed.

Dr. Bannerjee supported by Mr. A. N. Chattopadhyaya and Mr. A. C. Datta had on Saturday moved an amendment to the effect that the renewal of registration of an Insurance Company should be automatic on the fulfilment of the requirements of the proposed new section 3 A, and that the discretion left in the Superintendent's hands by the following sub-clause should be removed: "The Superintendent of Insurance shall, on being satisfied that the insurer has fulfilled the requirements of this section, renew the registration and grant him a certificate of renewal of registration."

AGREED AMENDMENT.

Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar on behalf of the Government had accepted the idea, but not the wording of the amendment, and further consideration was left over till to-day in order to enable an agreed amendment to be drafted. The agreed amendment was this morning moved and passed. With the amendment the subclause will read as follows:—"The Superintendent of Insurance shall on fulfilment by the insurer of the requirements of this section renew the registration and grant him a certificate of renewal of registration."

COMPANY INVESTMENTS

Dr. Bannerjee attempted an amendment to the effect that the investment made by an insurance company in policy loans and deposits made by it under Section 7 of the Act shall be taken into account for the purpose of fulfilling the obligation to invest fifty-five per cent or such smaller amount as the case might be of policy liabilities under Section 27.

Dr. De Souza had a similar amendment. Dr. Bannerjee and Mr. A. C. Datta dwelt upon the hardship caused by omission of the investments in policy loans and the deposits under Section 7 in calculating the amount to be invested under section 27.

Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar pointed out that the calculation of the amount of investment under Section 27 was in accordance with the interpretation given by Government's legal advisers and if any insurance company was dissatisfied with it, he would welcome the matter being taken to a court in the form of a test case. If the court held that the Government's interpretation was wrong, he would undertake that Government would not amend the section so as to make it conform to their interpretation.

Asked who would bear the cost of the test case, the Commerce Member indicated that he would consider the question, provided the amount was not too large.

Dr. Bannerjee's amendment was rejected and Dr. De Souza withdrew his amendment.

INSURANCE AGENTS' FEE

The proposal to raise the fee for an insurance agent's licence from Re. 1 to Rs. 3 was opposed by Mr. A. N. Chattopadhyaya. Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar said the increase would not be a hardship on an insurance agent, who, he suggested, was not so badly off as a chauffeur, for instance. Mr. Chattopadhyaya's amendment was rejected.

Congress nationalists and Muslim League members combined to vote on Mr. A. N. Chattopadhyaya's next amendment for the omission of a proposed proviso which in the main sought to restrict Section 45 providing that after two years of the issue of a policy, it should not be called in question on the ground of misstatement of age, etc. the proposed proviso runs:—"provided that nothing in this section shall prevent the insurer from calling for proof of age at any time if he is entitled to do so, and no policy shall be deemed to be called in question, merely because the terms of the policy are adjusted on subsequent proof that the age of the life insured was incorrectly stated in the proposal."

Mr. Chattopadhyaya's amendment was negatived.

ASSIGNMENT OF POLICY.

On Mr. Chapman Mortimer's motion, the Government accepted, and the House passed the following amendment "provided that the assignment of a policy to the person who took out the policy shall not disqualify that person from being eligible for election as a director."

During the third reading Mr. Chapman Mortimer, Dr. De Souza Dr. Bannerjee, Mr. Aney and Mr. Ghulam Bhik Nairang joined in congratulating the Commerce Member. Dr. De Souza referred to the Commerce Member's "attitude of sweet reasonableness, characteristic of all Madrasis." (laughter). Dr. De Souza expressed satisfaction that the Commerce Member had undertaken to pay the costs of any test case which might be brought on the interpretation of Section 27 of the Act regarding investment in approved securities of fifty-five per cent of policy liabilities.

Mr. Aney:—That is not exactly what the Commerce Member said.

Dr. De Souza said let him contradict it, if it was not correct.

Dr. Bannerjee drew attention to Sir N. N. Sircar's assurance while piloting the original insurance act that the Superintendent of Insurance would give prompt attention to the younger companies with their insecure finances and other difficulties rather than to the bigger companies.

REACTIONARY STEP.

Mr. Aney emphasised that where there was an ambiguity in a legislation it was not sufficient as the Commerce Member had done, to drive the aggreived party to a court of law with a sporting offer to pay for expenses. Government should themselves in such a case settle the matter on their own initiatve and bring an amendment if necessary. Mr. Aney thought that Section 45 which had been hailed as a great achievement in the interests of the policy holder was now largely undermined by the amendment passed by the House to-day. In his view, this was a reactionary step.

Mr. Nairang drew the Commerce Member's attention to the points of criticism raised by Mr. Aney and Dr. Bannerjee in the course of the debate and said they deserved the Commerce Member's close consideration.

TRIBUTE TO MUDALIAR

Mr. Chapman Mortimer said that Sir N. N. Sircar and Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar could feel with justice that they had done one of the best pieces of work for their country.

Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar, replying laid stress on the fact that the Superintendent had the interests of the policy-holders at heart, but in the very act of safeguarding these interests, the Superintendent was obliged often to come down with a heavy hand on insurance companies after giving them every opportunity to improve their working. There were companies, said the Commerce Member, which went on putting off actuarial valuations or submission of returns, etc. He gave the assurance that the Superintendent had not used his powers in a harsh manner. He hoped that the chapter of amending bills to the insurance act was for the time being at an end. He declared he stood by all the assurances he had given during the debate.

The bill was passed, and during the five minutes that remained Mr. J. D. Tyson, Education Secretary, moved consideration of his bill to regulate the use of land for other than agricultural purposes in Delhi Province, generally known as the ribbon development bill.

Further debate was adjourned till tomorrow.—A. P.

### WANTED MINISTRY OF MINING

CALCUTTA, March 31.

A suggestion for the establishment of a Ministry of Mining under the Central Government, liberating the coal industry from the control exercised by provincial legislatures and placing it under a unified policy and guidance of the India Government, was mooted by Mr. S. C. Ghosh, presiding over the Annual General Meeting of the Indian Mining Federation to-day.

He criticised the coal purchase policy of the Railway Board, which, he said, had affected the best interests of the trade.—A. P.

MUTT AND JEFF—It's an Eighteen-Karat Cinch That the Operation Was Not Needed — By BUD FISHER

YOU HAD A LOT OF NERVE KISSING ME YESTERDAY!
AW, I CAN'T HELP IT, NURSE! YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL!
NURSIE, I DON'T WANT TO GET WELL! I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU!
OH, DON'T WORRY! YOU WON'T!
THE DOCTOR'S IN LOVE WITH ME TOO, AND HE SAW YOU KISS ME!
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# "Demand For Mass Movement Doesn't Amount To Prejudicial Act Under Defence Rules"

## C. P. Session Judge Indicts Nagpur Magistrate's Judgment And Sets Aside Conviction Of Ruikar

NAGPUR, March 25.

**"One of the great dangers of emergency legislation in time of war is a tendency to divert it against the ordinary civic liberties of the people," is one of the observations contained in the remarkable judgment delivered by Mr. T. D. Wickenden, I.C.S., Sessions Judge, who passes severe strictures on the Magistrate while setting aside the conviction and quashing the sentence of six months' R.I. imposed on Mr. R. S. Ruikar under the Defence of India Ordinance by Mr. R. D. Gour, Magistrate, First Class, for an alleged objectionable speech delivered by him in Chitnis Park on December 3 last.**

**"When the case came up before me" says the Sessions Judge, "I was astonished to find that the original notes Ex. P. 4 and P. 5 had never been translated; that nobody could read them—presumably the Magistrate had not read them when he wrote his judgment". Proceeding he observes: "Further this judgment hardly complies with the requirements of a judgment at all and falls far below the standard that is required of a Magistrate holding Sec. 30 powers."**

Sounding a word of warning to the executive authorities the learned Judge says: "These cases are put up by the executive authorities against persons who, it is alleged, are hindering prosecution of war and where a Magistrate in this Province not only possesses judicial but administrative powers, it is for him to exclude the latter considerations when dealing with judicial matters. These cases too are disposed of speedily, against which I have nothing to say, but the danger is that a Magistrate may feel that he has to convict and he tends to lose sight of his judicial functions".

Remarking that Mr. Ruikar's calling upon workers to join a mass movement to strengthen the demand for freedom did not imply violence, he continues: "I would go further; it is commonsense point of view and it is a repeated complaint of the British Government that India is not united in its demand and so it is dangerous to give the country freedom which at least a considerable section wants." In another place he observes that it would be absurd to suggest that the movement for freedom should be put in the background during the continuance of war.

**"Must Be Dealt With Carefully"**

Emphasising the necessity of dealing carefully with the Defence of India cases the Judge remarks in the concluding portion of his judgment: "I have deemed it necessary to stress that these cases must be dealt with carefully and intelligently and a judicial mind must be brought to bear upon them."

***Extracts From Judgment***

The facts of the case briefly are that Mr. R. S. Ruikar, an Advocate of the local High Court and President of the C. P. Forward Bloc and T.U.C. was prosecuted by the police under the Defence of India Ordinance for an alleged objectionable speech delivered by him in Chitnis Park on Dec. 3 last.

It transpired during the course of the trial that notes of Mr. Ruikar's speech were taken by a C.I.D. officer in long hand and although those notes could not be properly deciphered a challan based on them was put up.

The trial court never had those notes translated but all the same it convicted and sentenced the accused to six months' R. I. In allowing Mr. Ruikar's appeal against that decision and acquitting him. Mr. T. D. Wickenden, I.C.S., Sessions Judge, delivered a remarkable judgment covering 13 foolscap sheets, from which extracts appear below:—

"The judgment of the learned Magistrate is very unsatisfactory and he does not seem to have realised the necessity of care in dealing with speeches as is clear from his judgment.

"How the learned Magistrate came to the conclusion that the reports were reliable in absence of comparison in the actual notes, I do not know. Further this judgment hardly complies with the requirements of a judgment at all and falls far below the standard that is required of a Magistrate holding Section 30 powers.

WORD OF WARNING

"These cases are put up by the Executive authorities against persons who, it is alleged, are hindering prosecution of War and where a Magistrate in this province not only possesses judicial but administrative powers, it is for him to exclude the latter considerations when dealing with judicial matters. These cases too are disposed of speedily, against which I have nothing to say, but the danger is that a Magistrate may feel that he has to convict and he tends to lose sight of his judicial functions.

Pointing out the defects in the Police procedure of taking down portions of a speech in long hand the Judge observes: "In short, the system of long hand reporting has little to commend it and as the taking of speeches is an important part of administrative work, it seems necessary to have specially selected officers for that purpose, with a knowledge of shorthand, so that the whole speech can be recorded and a court knows exactly what is said."

DANGER TO CIVIL LIBERTY

"I fail to understand in what way this speech is seditious or prejudicial to the State under the Defence of India Rules or in any other way," says the Judge and continues: "Appellant argues that his speech being a Labour speech does not fall under the Defence of India Ordinance and he refers me to the preamble and also to Sec. 2. I must agree that, if read together they show that the object of the ordinance is to ensure the Public safety, the Defence of British India and the effective prosecution of War. I am not able to see any connection between the speech and the ordinance.

"One of the great dangers of emergency legislation in time of war is a tendency to divert it against the ordinary civil liberties of the people."

FREEDOM MOVEMENT AND WAR

"The learned Magistrate has found that the demand for freedom of the country is likely to influence the attitude of the people to war. If that were so, the whole Congress movement and other political movements in India become automatically illegal but they have not been dealt with as such by the Government.

It is the avowed policy of Congress to obtain Swaraj, freedom or independence of India, and it has always been the intention of the British Government to give that freedom which she desires or at least to give her Dominion Status beyond which there can be nothing to prevent India from becoming independent, if she chooses.

It has never been suggested that this movement or this desire should be put into the background during continuance of War. Any suggestions of that kind would be absurd.

MASS MOVEMENT NOT PREJUDICIAL ACT

"The learned Public Prosecutor seems to think that for the workers to join a mass movement or to lay aside their differences with Congress Party and join with them to agitate for the freedom of the country is a prejudicial act likely to affect the efficient prosecution of war.

If the representations of the Congress Party mean anything, that if freedom is given India would certainly wholeheartedly assist British in the prosecution of War, then the opposite would appear to be the case; an exhortation to join a mass movement for the purpose would be an act likely to assist the efficient prosecution of War.

"I would emphasise that the demand for mass movement and continued agitation for the freedom of the country cannot be said to amount to a prejudicial act under the Defence of India Ordinance or one which is likely to hinder prosecution of War.

MAGISTRATE'S CONFUSION

"The confusion however is apparent in the mind of the trying Magistrate. He has confused disaffection with dissatisfaction. It is not exciting disaffection to criticise a piece of legislation. What Mr. Ruikar said in his speech cannot be said to go beyond the bounds of legitimate criticism.

It is a matter of legitimate difference of opinion," writes the Judge, "whether the Defence of India Ordinance or the way it is applied in particular cases is repressive or whether imprisonment of important political leaders is in the best interest of the State and people or not. Mr. Ruikar took the view that it is not so. I have no doubt his view is a sincere one but that is immaterial.

GOVT.'S COMPLAINT RE. UNITED INDIA

Referring to Mr. Ruikar's argument the Judge says: "He has made it clear that the workers must continue on the principle of non-violence. His calling upon them to join a mass movement to strengthen the demand for freedom does not imply violence. I would go further, it is a commonsense point of view, and it is the repeated complaint of the British Government that India is not united in its demand and so it is dangerous to give the country freedom which at least a considerable section wants.

"There is hardly a word in the speech about War and it is in respect of the War that the Defence of India Ordinance has been brought into existence," with these observations the learned Sessions Judge set aside the conviction and acquitted Mr. Ruikar.

## *A.-I. TEXTILE WORKERS TO CONFER*

Preparations for holding an All-India Textile Workers' Conference in Bombay in May have been undertaken by the Bombay Provincial Girni Kamgar (Red Flag) Union. The arrival of Mr. N. M Joshi is being awaited.

It is gathered that permission for convening a Conference was secured by the Managing Committee of the Union last week.

The textile workers, according to Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, want that the dearness allowance should be increased and they want to secure a higher rate of basic wages, as the cost of living has gone up and the industry is making enormous profit. In the near future the industry will get further war orders and the prosperity of the Industry is bound to increase.

## *PARENTS MURDER CHILDREN AND COMMIT SUICIDE*

SALEM: March 29.

All the four members of a Chettiar family were found dead in their house yesterday morning. The Chettiar and his wife were found hanging by ropes in a room while the bodies of their daughter aged five years and a boy aged two years, were found in a well.

At the inquest held over the bodies a verdict of murder of the children by the parents followed by their own suicide was returned.—A. P.

## Charged With Accepting Sutta Bets

BOMBAY, Monday.

On Saturday night, the Agripada Police carried out a gambling raid on room No. 13 of Chimanlal Damodar Chawl, Tardeo and arrested Chandkar Ramsarup and Awami Laxman on a charge of accepting Satta bets.

The accused were produced before the Presidency Magistrate, of Mazagaon Police Court, and were ordered to be released on bail today.

**CHARGED WITH CAUSING HURT TO FILM STAR**

The police put up Sardar Mahomed Khallullah this morning before Mr. G. A. Sabnis, at the Dadar Court on charges of causing simple hurt to film star Bibbo who in private life is known as Isharat Sultana, with a pair of heated tongs and also of assault.

The offence is alleged to have been committed on the 19th February.

As the police asked for time, the hearing of the case is fixed for the 8th April.

## Shamdasani Applies In Revision

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Broomfield and Mr. Justice Divatia)

P. D. Shamdasani ..... Applicant (Original Compiainant)

Versus

A. F. Fergusson & Co. & Ors. ... Opponents (Original Accused)

This was a proceeding for admission of an application in Revision from the order of M. A. F. Coelho, Esq., Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon, passed on 12th March, 1941.

On 19th April, 1932, the applicant filed a complaint in the Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court at Bombay against certain Officers and Directors of the Central Bank of India Ltd. in connection with its Balance Sheet for some preceding year. Summons were ordered to be issued and the case travelled from Court to Court till it reached a hearing before Mr. Coelho on 12th March, 1941 at 3-10 p.m. Mr. Shamdasani being then absent, the accused were discharged. Against this order of discharge, Mr. Shamdasani applied in Revision to the High Court where the matter came up yesterday before their Lordships for admission.

Their Lordships admitted the application and ordered a Rule to issue as to why the Magistrate's order should not be revised.

The applicant appeared in person.

## MAYORALTY ISSUE KEPT OPEN

### Corporation Federated Group's Statement

After a prolonged discussion the Federated Group at its meeting on Monday decided to leave the election of the Mayor an open question.

Two candidates, Dr. Alban D'Souza and Dr. J. A. Collaco filed the nomination papers for the office on Monday, the last day for doing the same.

The Federated Group under the presidentship of Mr. A. P. Sabavala discussed the question whether it should back up any candidate on a party footing. It appears that practical difficulties and a public pronouncement made on behalf of the Party made the members desist from choosing a candidate. Again, the question appears to have arisen whether the Party should participate in the election at all and ultimately it was decided to keep the question open.

At the close of the Group meeting, Mr. A. P. Sabavala issued the following statement:

"After a long discussion at a meeting of the Group; it has been decided that the question of Mayoralty should be kept open. It is the emphatic opinion of the Group that the Mayor must be elected by a free vote of the House and that the office be kept above party politics. Since the advent of the Congress Party in majority in the House, it has been the practice to make individuals to sign the Congress pledge, presumably with a desire to promote themselves to chairmanship or Mayoralty. We regard this so totally against public interest and the Mayoralty that we have decided to keep the question open."

Mr. Naushir C. Barucha, Secretary of the Group, contradicted a Press report saying that three members of the Group had resigned. He added that he had not received any resignation letters from any of those mentioned in the paper.

It is, however, gathered that the talk of resignation from three members was frequently heard. No resignation, however, had been actually tendered till Monday, according to the Secretary of the Group.

## Britain's Shipping Position

(Continued from page 6)

small for trans-oceanic work and about 1,000,000 tons are passenger steamers transformed into auxiliary cruisers.

"Thus of Britain's own 18,500,000 tons there remained at the beginning of the war 13,500,000 tons for home use plus 9,500,000 tons of Allied, new and purchased vessels, totalling 23,000,000 tons minus the German figure of 9,000,000. This leaves 14,000,000 tons for Britain's supplies, which need 11,000,000.

"But the war has increased shipping needs for which much was previously brought from continental countries has to be brought from across the seas. On the other hand, reduced imports constitute economy.

"But 15 per cent. of shipping for convoys involves a loss of time necessitating more shipping and a further 15 per cent. is required owing to the longer journey via the Cape. All in all, Britain requires 14,000,000 tons of shipping now as compared with 11,000,000 in peace time, and this is exactly what she has got now.

"Every loss now means reduced imports. But for some months Britain can live on the reserve stocks, and by next year the production of the United States will replace the losses. Germany can only force Britain to capitulate by sinking shipping if she can sink more than 10,000,000 tons of shipping."

## Agricultural Department

(Continued from Page 8.)

otherwise they are very much handicapped and they have to entirely depend upon interpreters Besides, the propaganda work which forms the substantial portion of their duties suffers considerably. Unfortunately, in the Karnatak portion of the province the Deputy Director of Agriculture hails from Sind. He is not expected to know Kannada. In these days when a number of Kannada knowing graduates in the higher grades are available Government should not find it difficult to appoint Kannada people for this post and other posts in this department. The present Deputy Director is a nice gentleman and personally we have nothing to say against him. He is however suffering under a handicap for which he cannot be held responsible. We trust Government will take the earliest opportunity to put a Kannada knowing officer in this place. Recently the Deputy Director of Agriculture has to share partially the work of the Rural Development. It goes without saying that this additional duty also requires intimate knowledge of the language of the people. If such a person is not put into this post much money will be immediately wasted.

—Yours, etc.

A LANDLORD.

## *CITY TELUGUS CELEBRATE "UGADI"*

Under the auspices of the Telugu Seva Sangh, three largely attended mass meetings to celebrate the Telugu New Year day were held at Naigaum, Worli Chawls and at the premises of the Kamatipura Telugu Library Hall on 28th instant.

Speeches were delivered by Kotla Seetaram, N. C. Narsinha Acharya, Shankar Rao S. Manda, and several others explaining the significance of the Ugadi and exhorting them to utilize the same for liquidating mass illeteracy and for promoting unity amongst themselves. The speakers urged on the people to forget petty caste and sub-caste differences and stand as one community of people possessing the common mother tongue.

At the Naigaum meeting a resolution to celebrate year after year the anniversary of the Emperor poet—Philosopher Sri Krishna Deva Raya of Vijayanagar patron of Telugu Literature, was passed unanimously. Great enthusiasm prevailed amongst the Workers and labourers at all these meetings.

## Tribute To Telugu Philanthropist

A meeting of the staff of the Bhumayya Pochetti Ashnol Municipal Free Eye Hospital, Kamatipura, was held at the Hospital on Sunday, when Dr. R. K. Mhatre the Executive Health Officer presided. The following resolution was passed.

"The staff of the Hospital expresses its deep regret on the sad death of Mr. Bhumayya Pochetti Ashnol the distinguished Telegu philanthropist to whose unstinted charity this Hospital owes its very existence. The growing popularity of the hospital is in itself an expression of the gratefulness of the poor people of Kamatipura. There would not be a better monument to the generosity of Mr. Pochetti than the Free Eye Hospital which bears his name."

It was further resolved that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Executor of late Mr. Pochetti's estate.

The Telugu new years day was celebrated in the Trichinopoly Central Jail. Satyagraha prisoners from Tamil districts joined with those from Andhra Desa in the celebrations.

## Maulana Najmul Hassan's Successor

(From A Correspondent)

LUCKNOW, March 30

Under the will of the late Shia Divine, Moulana Najmul Hassan, his Grandson Imadul Ulema Moulana Syed Mohamad Razi Mujtahid has been legally declared as the Moulana's successor.

# Raiders No Longer Have Their Own Way

## "Fighters' Delight" Rather Than "Bombers' Paradise"

(BY WING COMMANDER L. V. FRASER.)

When the night fighter pilots of the R. A. F. recently shot down 19 enemy bombers on three nights, it was the most significant event of the air war since the summer before the R. A. F. had shown themselves to be "masters of the daylight skies"

It was the first blow—and no light one—of a battle which will flare up through each month with the coming of the full moon. From now on, Britain in moonlight will be less a "bombers' paradise" than a "fighters' delight".

Meanwhile R. A F. bombers over Germany are shooting down fighters put up to intercept them. Bomber crews are not always able to watch the final destruction of a fighter when it crashes to earth, and in such cases the victims are usually claimed as "probable", but there have also been many certainties. Not only do the British bombers attack fighters with success, but the bombers sometimes meet bombers, and in these encounters the scores are on the British side.

"CAT'S EYES".

The name "cat's eyes" has already been given to night fighter aces. Under special training which includes a special diet, for months now they have developed a visual sense in a way denied to ordinary mortals. Many of them can see clearly even without much help from the moon; indeed, in a recent combat a pilot who has already won the D. F. C. for his night fighting exploits, complained that the moon was too brilliant.

Night fighting calls for a special technique. Fast single engined planes of comparatively short endurance depend on clear weather in which the raider can be detected soon and sent to its doom with the same dispatch as in common day fighting. But the new twin-engined aircraft, for example, with a long endurance but also speed that can match any night raider, can afford to stalk its prey until it is almost certain that one burst of fire will destroy it.

It is not the least remarkable feature of night fighting that in most cases one burst of fire sends down the enemy in flames. Bomber crews have many fears as it is—improving anti-aircraft fire, balloon cables, vagaries of the weather and "other devices". But what are all these compared with the fire of death that comes spurting, without a second's warning, from an enemy only a hundred yards away?

AIM OF THE R. A. F.

It is the aim of the R. A. F. to make the night skies as full of peril as they have already made daylight. They will thus reduce the number of raiders Goering dares to send over that the reduction alone will be a defeat for the "Luftwaffe". An air force is not reckoned by its numbers on the ground but by its striking power in the skies. The much-vaunted Italian air force knows that already. It is a defeated force because it dare not risk a battle.

## *Prisoners' Unsuccessful Bid For Freedom*

VELLORE, March 29.

Four convict prisoners who made an attempt to escape from the Vellore Central Jail last night were promptly caught before they got out of the jail premises.

It is stated that the prisoners were found missing from their cells at night and an alarm was immediately raised. In the search that followed the jail staff found them with some implements making arrangements to escape.—A. P.

## Aryanayakam For Delhi

WARDHAGANJ, March 30

Mr. E. W. Aryanayakam, Secretary of the Hindustani Talimi Sangh, Wardha, left for New Delhi this morning in connection with the All-India Basic Education conference Mrs. Asha Devi Aryanayakam accompanied him.—United Press.

## A.-I. Educational Conference

JAMMU: March 29.

The Reception Committee of the 17th All-India Educational Conference has suggested for presidentship the names of Sir Maurice Gwyer, Chief Justice of India, and Dr. Zakir Hussain of Jamia Millia. There has been a change in the dates fixed for the Conference, which will now be held from 25th to 28th September—A. P.

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*PROTECTIVE MEASURES BY U. S.*

# Armed Guards Posted On 30 Italian Ships

## Also On 2 German Boats

### Sequel To Wholesale Damage To Many Vessels By Saboteurs.

NEW YORK, March 30.

**THE NUMBER OF ITALIAN SHIPS ON WHICH ARMED AMERICAN GUARDS HAVE BEEN PLACED IS NOW STATED TO BE 28 INCLUDING THE 23,000 TON LINER "CONTE BIANCAMANO" AT CRISTOBAL (PANAMA).**

Guards have also been placed on two German ships, namely the "Aracuna" at port Everglades (Florida) and the tanker "Pauline Friederich" at Boston.

The discovery of "wholesale damage" on some of these ships was announced by Mr. Herbert Gaston, Assistant Secretary to the Treasury. He said that measures taken in consequence of this discovery were "purely protective".

President Roosevelt, he added, had approved the steps taken.

Armed guards acted simultaneously at 16 different ports in occupying the 28 Italian and two German ships. Approximately 200,000 tons of shipping are involved.

Five Italian vessels in New York area were found to have been "methodically wrecked", according to one inspector who added that the crews "must have spent at least a week in smashing the machinery."

Pistons were cut by acetylene torches and fires were lit beneath empty boilers melting essential parts. One ship's propeller shaft was severed by an acetylene torch.

While armed guards took charge of these ships, customs officials seized the crews effects for examination.

Action was taken under a law dating back to the Great War authorising authorities to prevent wilful damage to ships in American ports and providing for forfeiture of any ships actully sabotaged.

The German ship, "Aracuna" which was chased into port by a British cruiser three months ago was boarded by a party armed with a machinegun. The crew were sent ashore and the 'Swastika' replaced by the American flag.

**Sabotage of an Italian ship was ordered by the Italian Naval Attache in Washington, admitted the Captain of the vessel which with the crew of 29 was arrested by coast guardmen at Houston, Texas.**

The vessel was the Mongiola" and damage to the extent of several thousand dollars has been done to the ship's engines and pumps.

"About ten days ago, I received orders from the Italian Naval Attache in Washington to damage the ship and I carried out the orders", said the Captain.—Reuter.

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The United States has taken over 36 Danish ships lying in nine ports. The treasury, it is stated, has evidence that sabotage has been revealed.—Reuter.

### *STRIKE WAVE IN U. S. A. RECEDING*

NEW YORK, March 31.

**Strikes in various United States defence industries show some improvement. It is announced a settlement was reached in the Bethlehem Steel Company's works at Johnstown (Pennsylvania.)**

**The Congress of Industrial Organisation workers at a meeting in Chicago agreed to return to work immediately at four International Harvester Company factories which have been closed for eight weeks.—Reuter.**

### *AMERICANS WANT SPEEDING UP OF AID TO BRITAIN*

NEW YORK, March 30.

The emphatic views held by many Americans on the manner in which the aid for democracies' programme is being carried out appear in the results of the latest gallup poll survey published today.

Fifty-three per cent did not think that the production of arms, aeroplanes and other war materials was fast enough, and of those replying in the negative 52 per cent attributed the state of affairs they criticised to the defence industry strikes, while 11 per cent. said "politics and red-tape".

Sixty-eight per cent. of those, who answered the question whether Labour Union leaders were helping the war effort as much as they should, replied "No." Fifty-one per cent. answered affirmatively similar questions regarding industrial and business leaders.—Reuter.

### INCREASE IN U. S. AIRCRAFT OUTPUT

NEW YORK, March 24

The thirteen-fold increase in the monthly production of the United States of airplane motors since September, 1939, which was announced recently by the American Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce, is one test link in the chain of evidence that Uncle Sam is getting well into his war stride.

The February figures reached a record output of 2,600 by only three companies—Pratt Whitney, Wright and Allison—as against 200 at the beginning of the war and 1,500 last September. By this July the number is expected to reach 3,700 monthly.

## More Salary For Sind Ministers

### *Speaker & Legislators Also To Get More*

KARACHI, March 31.

An increase in the salary of ministers from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,500 is sought in a new bill which has been published by the Sind Government. The salary will be inclusive of car allowance and house rent. The ministers will be however entitled to prescribed travelling and daily allowances while on tour of public business.

The Bill also seeks to increase the salary of the Speaker from Rs. 800 to Rs. 1,250 per month and members' salaries from Rs. 75 to Rs. 150 a month and their daily allowance from Rs. 2 to Rs. 5 during session.

It will be remembered that the Ministers are at present receiving Rs. 500 a month and are given cars which are maintained by the State and a free furnished house.—A. P.

### *Address To Sikh Conference On 'Pakistan' And Indian Political Deadlock*

LAHORE, March 29.

The international situation, the Pakistan scheme and the position of the Sikhs in the Punjab were among the subjects discussed by Sardar Sant Singh, M.L.A., (Central), addressing a Sikh Conference at Daska, Sialkot District today.

The Sardar said that the destiny of humanity was bound to be seriously affected after the conclusion of the war and it was high time for them to think how India would react to the situation that was fast developing.

Dealing with the present attitude of the Congress and the All-India Muslim League, Sardar Sant Singh said that leadership had proved its incapacity to meet a crisis of the present magnitude The whole political structure, he continued, built so assiduously in half a century had hopelessly crashed in the first impact with a real big issue and the responsibility for this state of confusion was on the Indian National Congress.

The speaker characterised the Muslim League's Pakistan scheme as "fantastic and utterly unpracticable" and said that it was Mr. Jinnah's stunt for political purposes.

Criticising the lack of response by the British people to India's political demands, the speaker recalled the deliberations of the Non-Party Leaders' Conference recently held at Bombay and urged the British Government to give serious consideration to the proposal put forward by it.—A. P.

### *BURMA'S NEW NATIONAL FLAG*

*Conforms To Pattern Of Those In Dominions*

RANGOON, March 31.

From hundreds of flag masts all over the country, the new National Flag of Burma was unfurled for the first time to-day.

Thousands of spectators watched the ceremony in Rangoon, which was performed by His Excellency Sir Archibald Cochrane, the Governor, while in the districts, the Divisional Commissioners officiated at the ceremonies.

The new Burmese flag, which His Majesty has approved, conforms to the pattern of the Dominions flags—a blue ensign—bearing in the fly, on a gold medallion, a Burmese peacock in his pride. The design has been taken from silver coins in vogue in the time of King Mindon, the penultimate Burmese King.—A. P.

### *ANDREWS' MEMORIAL*

NEW DELHI, March 29.

In response to Mahatma Gandhi's appeal for collection of funds for Andrews' Memorial Fund, a meeting of the representative citizens of Delhi was held last evening in St. Stephen's College, Delhi and a sub-committee consisting of 11 members was formed to collect funds.

It has also been decided by the old students of the St. Stephen's College and some leading citizens to collect a certain sum for the local memorial of the late Rev. C. F. Andrews in the form of a library in the St. Stephen's College. The fund will be collected jointly and the donors will be requested to earmark the donations.—United Press.

## COMMON CAUSE WITH MUSLIMS

### Gidney's Advice To His Community In Punjab

LAHORE, March 30.

That the security of his community lay in making a common cause with the Muslims was stressed by Sir Henry Gidney, M.L.A., (Central), in the course of his presidential address at the annual general meeting of the Punjab Branch of the Anglo-Indian and Domiciled European Association.

"Our union with Muslims", he said, "will be productive of great good to us, and together we will play a great part in the development of the national life of the country. After all, there is very little difference even in our religions, but so far as the Muslim demand for Pakistan is concerned it is a question to be settled between the two major communities of the country. Only time will show the position that the Anglo-Indian community will take in regard to this issue.

NEED OF ARMY

Referring to the war, Sir Henry Gidney appealed to Anglo-Indians to join the army in large numbers and contribute their utmost in furtherance of the war effort, he said that if the British Empire won the war against the gangster Dictator and cruel tyrant of Germany, England and America would become masters of the world. Then they would be in a position to form a real League of Nations. In that eventuality there might not be any need for national armies. But as things were at present, India must build up a large army.

Mr. E. Few, M.L.A., who was unanimously re-elected President of the Punjab Branch of the Association, in his speech reviewed the community's war effort in the province. Anglo-Indians, he said, had already sent 500 lads overseas and were willing to enlist more recruits. At this critical juncture, he added, they were not concerned with the demand for Swaraj or Pakisan, their aim was for the preservation of the Empire.—A. P.

### *2,000 WOMEN TO JOIN AIR FORCE*

WELLINGTON, March 31.

The development of military aviation has become one of the outstanding features of New Zealand's war effort. A notable advance has been made in the manufacture of aircraft.

The Director of Education service for the air force, Mr. Caradus, states that over 4,000 trainees throughout New Zealand are working on the preliminary educational course.

Women will shortly also play an important part in military aviation. Two thousand have applied for enrolment in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

## Nazi Strategic Plan In Middle East Not Altered By Allies' Successes

### Economic And Political Disintegration Used For Military Purposes

LONDON, March 24.

The "Economist" writes:

It is clear from the German activities in the Middle East that Britain's successes in North Africa and Greece's unexpected stand have not altered the Nazis' general strategic plan in this area. This is not extraordinary since it turns on the first necessity of war—oil.

For the time being Germany's Middle Eastern tactic resembles the policy pursued in the Balkans before it became necessary to advance to military occupation.

It proceeds on two planes—economic infiltration and political disintegration. In the economic field the occupation of Varna and Constanza undoubtedly forwards Germany's Black Sea commerce.

The virtual breaking off of economic relations with Turkey in September, 1939, has been step by step revised. To-day Germany is buying £ (Turkish) 5,000,000 worth of Turkish tobacco... Trade delegations have visited Izmir and Germany hopes to arrange an important barter agreement covering Turkish dates and raisins.

The Germans have the largest share in Iran's foreign trade. Their colony has grown to 25,000 since last year, most of them being "commercial travellers", and there are at least 2,000 "technicians" connected with road and railway works. Others are prospecting for oil.

Again, in Syria part of the "archaeologists" led by Baron von Oppenheim (of all unlikely names) has discovered a surprising number of Khalti relics in the neighbourhood of Syria's potential oil districts. But in Syria and Iraq Germany's actions are political rather than economic.

In Iraq the extremist Iraqian Nationalists, with Ali Stiquial as their mouthpiece accept their news from Axis sources and lose no opportunity of denouncing British Imperialism or of calling for Arab independence. However the Axis has apparently not been able to win these extremists for the idea that German imperialism is preferable to the British.

In Syria the country is in a ferment between Vichy officials giving grudging support to the officials of the Axis—M. Puaux was probably dismissed for insufficient "co-operation"—a growing section of the army and bureaucracy [illegible] support General de Gaulle, and Nationalists who demand independence.

Economic shortage completes the picture and sporadic rioting and arrests are its symptoms. The waters are troubled enough and these are notoriously waters in which Hitler prefers to fish.

## U. S. A. Sends Torpedo Boats To Britain

### Roosevelt Authorises Additional War Supplies To U. K.

NEW YORK, March 31.

**President Roosevelt has already authorised the transfer of additional war supplies to Britain, revealed a responsible authority, states the "New York Times" correspondent with the train in which President Roosevelt is returning to Washington.**

**Torpedo boats are thought to be included in the additional arms sent to Britain and Greece, according to this informant.**

## Reciprocity Plea To British Universities

NEW DELHI, March 29.

The report of the last meeting of the Central Advisory Board of Education which is now available indicates that important recommendations of the various sub-committees were adopted by the Board.

The Akbar Hydari Sub-Committee to examine the question of the adoption of a uniform scientific terminology for regional languages in India recommended that in order to maintain the necessary contact between scientific development in India and similar developments in other countries, the scientific terminology adopted for India should assimilate, wherever possible, those terms which had already secured general international acceptance.

LANGUAGE GROUPS

The Board accepted that the two main groups into which Indian languages may be divided should be Sanskritic and Perso-Arabic instead of Hindustani and Dravidian as suggested by the Sub-Committee.

The question of facilities that are being offered in Indian Universities to students of British Universities, who have returned to India on account of war without finishing their course, was also considered by the Board.

It was decided that the concessions which the Indian Universities had given to students of British Universities, who were compelled to return to India in 1940 on account of the uncertain European situation should be brought to the notice of the British Universities.

RECIPROCITY PLEA

It was further decided that the High Commissioner for India should be warned that there would probably be a rush of Indian students to British Universities soon after the war, and that Indian Universities as well as Indian public opinion would expect British Universities, in their turn, to make special arrangements to meet the needs of these students on lines similar to those followed by Indian Universities in case of students returning from England.—United Press.

## The Half-Column
By "Dim"

President Arnuto Arias is busy cleaning up gambling throughout Panama! There is no truth, however, in the rumour that the Bombay Government have invited him over to Bombay for a few tips on how to control Sutta gambling.

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Also in Panama a jockey has just served a sentence in gaol for "pulling" a horse. If these Panama ideas are imported here our jails will be more than full—what with satyagraha and horse-racing.

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The gentlemen from — — Road told me that the only solution of the Indian deadlock was a conference of Congress women workers, such as Mira Ben, Perin Ben and Wedgewood Benn.

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Disgusted with the Semetic theories of science, propagated by Jews like Einstein and others, Herr Hitler has promulgated the theory of the absorption of matter. Aryan scientists hail this as the greatest scientific discovery since Newton discovered the law of gravitation. In Adolf's case the apple was Yugo-Slavia. Hence the expression "upsetted his apple-cart." Does this make sense?

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Mr. Vernon Bartlett must be congratulated on sealing two letters with one lick. His joint letter to Mr. Amery and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was delivered simultaneously at the two corresponding Ashrams. The G.P.O. made no extra charge.

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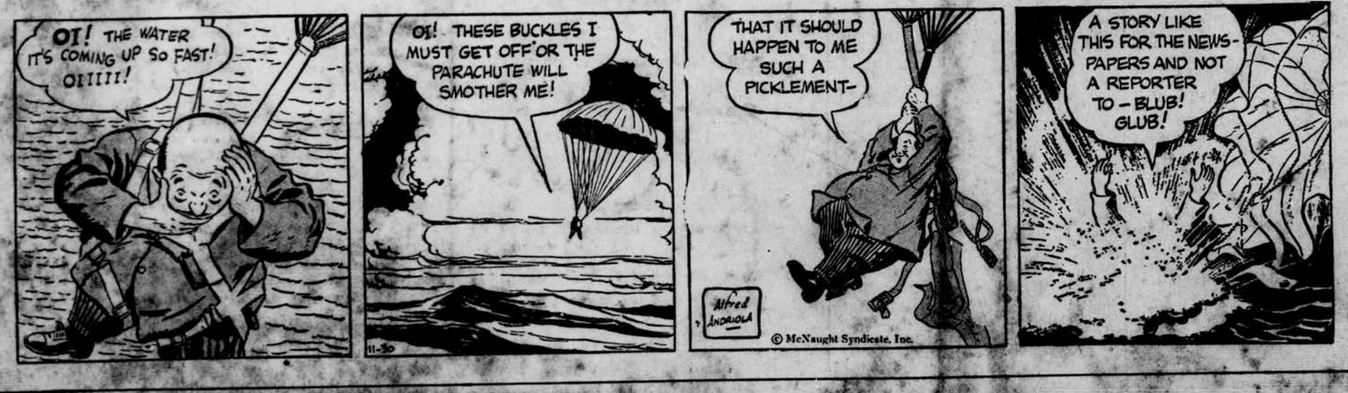
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